

The Hongkong Telegraph.

TODAY'S WEATHER: Light variable winds; continuing fair or fine.
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Scotsman Murdered On Johore Rubber Estate

51 Die In S'hai Factory Fire

Shanghai, Aug. 9.—Fifty-one workers were burned to death and 30 seriously injured when a fire destroyed a Chinese shirt factory here last night. The death toll is expected to mount as the injured people are in a serious condition. The Municipal Fire Brigade believe the cause of the fire was lightning, which hit five switchboards controlling ironing tables and machines. All the 120 workers were trapped in the factory as soon as the fire broke out, but many of them managed to jump to safety from the second, third and fourth floors. Firemen brought some 60 workers to the ground with the aid of turntables. Over 100 firemen battled the flames for more than two hours before quelling the blaze.—Reuter.

Ship In Distress In Channel

London, Aug. 8.—The 7,000-ton American merchant ship, William Hawkins, reported today that she is drifting helplessly with a broken steering gear off "Benchy Head" along the South Coast of England in one of the worst summer storms in recent English Channel history. A Newhaven lifeboat and tug were sent to aid the ship owned by the United States Maritime Commission. The storm also wrecked a number of small boats and breached the sea wall at Brooklands Estate near Croydon.

Flood tide, whipped by 70-mile an hour gusts of wind, swamped 450 summer cottages at Brooklands Estate, driving nearly 1,000 vacationists into the sea. Many of them were rescued by row boats. Water was reported four feet deep in some streets.—United Press.

LIFEBOATS ACTIVE
London, Aug. 8.—Lifeboats from many English Channel ports were out today to aid stricken ships in one of the worst summer storms in memory. A wide area of Southern England suffered extensive damage. In London, parts of the city had almost 25 millimetres of rain in 14 hours.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

British Council In HK

THE establishment of the British Council in Hongkong is an event of some importance, and the presence of Mr Robert Bruce as the local representative of this organization is welcome. On Saturday, through ZBW, Mr Bruce gave Hongkong some idea of the design of the British Council and what it hopes to accomplish here. For more than one reason it is a limited programme—for those who believe in the value of British Council activities, for limited. Envisaged are illustrative films, the publication of informative booklets on the British novel, ballet and painting, exhibitions of photographs and paintings and the exchange of cultural information dealing with both the British and Chinese way of life. Extension of the present reference library is also mooted. This is a laudable enough project: certainly something that can do no harm and is a potential instrument for the dissemination of useful knowledge and a medium for bringing about a clear appreciation of the cultural virtues of both East and West. We feel, however, that Mr Bruce should be warned—if he has not already been so: Hongkong is a community that is not culturally minded; neither is its government. Hongkong (at least up to date) much prefers to be the "shop window" filled with glittering machines representing the West's distinctive features over all other civilisations, the application of science to industry. Mr Bruce's British Council programme will be politely received; will be

ATTACK BY 60 COMMUNISTS

All Buildings Razed And Rice Looted

Kuala Lumpur, Aug. 8.—Sixty Communists murdered the Scottish manager of a rubber estate, 25 miles from Singapore, last night, looted rice and arms and burned down every building before disappearing into the jungle.

Soldiers and police today found the body of the manager, Mr H. M. Rice, in the shell of the hall in which he had been giving his labourers a film show when the terrorists attacked. His wife and 14-year-old daughter escaped into the jungle. Mr Rice was the third Briton killed by Chinese Communists in four days and the eighth murdered for political reasons since the outbreak of terrorism in Malaya.

The estate, at Telok Sengat, in Johore, is the nearest to Singapore so far involved in violence.

Shooting began when a terrorist entered the hall during a show marking the Malay holiday of Hari Raya. He first fired at Mr Rice who tried to escape, but was stopped at the door by terrorists who killed him with automatic guns.

Terrorists wounded four Chinese and two special constables and then lined up the labourers outside the hall and hanged them.

"Don't be frightened," they said, "we are only after Europeans." Local police were too few to cope with the situation, and sent for help to Kota Tinggi, two hours away. When reinforcements arrived, they found the guerrillas had gone.—Reuter.

MALAYA'S NEW CP

London, Aug. 8.—Col. William N. Gray, a Marine Commandant veteran and former Inspector General of Police in Palestine, has been appointed Commissioner of Police of the Federation of Malaya, the Colonial Office announced today.

Col. Gray, who is 40, will succeed Mr H. B. Langworthy, who is resigning as Police Commissioner in Malaya because of ill health.

Col. Gray returned from Malaya last month after a visit to advise on police methods.

Col. Gray was educated at Trinity College, Glenamond, Scotland, and subsequently studied and "practised" estate management and farming in the United Kingdom and in Australia. He volunteered for the Royal Marines in 1939 and received an immediate commission. He took part in the Dunkirk operations and landed in France with a Royal Marine Commando unit which he subsequently commanded. He was awarded a DSO. He commanded this unit in the assault crossing of the Rhine and won a bar to the DSO.

He will take up his appointment this week.—Associated Press.

Round World Solo Flight

Washington, Aug. 8.—Diana C. Cyrus, 26-year-old aviatrix from Santa Paula, California, will take off on a round-the-world solo flight between August 20 and 25, bent on capturing at least three records.

An attractive, petite brunette with much flying experience, Mrs Cyrus will pilot a British Mosquito fighter-bomber. If she completes her mission according to her flight plan, she will hold these records: first woman ever to fly around the world solo, first round-the-world flight over an official course, fastest flight around the world.

Her flight plan, according to National Aeronautic Association officials, calls for San Francisco to San Francisco time of 60 hours five minutes, including only five hours on the ground for the entire trip.

She will take off in her 400-mph twin-engine plane at about 9.45 a.m. PDT on her target date and fly this course:

San Francisco to New York Idlewild airport, 8 hours 25 mins; New York to Gander, Newfoundland, 3 hrs 20 mins; Gander to Paris, 7 hrs 10 mins; Paris to Cairo, 5 hrs 50 mins; Cairo to Karachi, Pakistan, 6 hrs 20 mins; Karachi to Calcutta, 3 hrs 40 mins; Calcutta to Shanghai, 8 hrs 10 mins; Shanghai to Tokyo, 9 hrs 10 mins; Tokyo to Midway, 9 hrs 20 mins; Midway to Honolulu, 3 hrs 50 mins; Honolulu to San Francisco, 6 hrs 50 mins.

Mrs Cyrus is setting out seven years' and five months after the flight of Amelia Earhart and Fred Noonan, which ended in disaster somewhere between New Guinea and Howland Island in the Pacific. What happened to the Earhart-Noonan plane is still a mystery.

While numerous pilots have flown around the world, none has flown over an official course, specified by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale, the international governing body of sporting aviation of which the National Aeronautic Association is the American affiliate.

The course must include a check-in at New York, one European capital, Karachi, Tokyo and San Francisco.—United Press.



Support For Reynaud's Finance Bill

Paris, Aug. 8.—The National Assembly rejected by 386 to 201 a Communist motion to reject Finance Minister Paul Reynaud's bill asking for sweeping financial powers.

The Assembly made slow progress today in the debate on the Government's demands, and the debate began this morning with a clash between the Premier, M. Andre Marie, and the Communists.

M. Paul Reynaud's original bill has already been much modified, first in discussions by the Cabinet and again yesterday, when the Assembly's Finance Commission raised a series of objections before postponing the debate.

M. Reynaud at that time threatened that he would resign if any essential part of his proposals is rejected. This would have involved the fall of the Cabinet, within a fortnight of its constitution, and possibly a general election.

PRINCIPAL OBJECTIONS
The Finance Minister's basic idea is described as a return to the principles of good business management.

The Finance Commission yesterday principally objected to:

- 1—The Government's claim to be able to change tax rates without asking Parliament;
- 2—The implication that nationalised industries could be "leased" to private enterprises; and
- 3—The suspicion that the clause giving powers to prevent action by producers to restrict production might be used against strikers.

De Gaulle members of the National Assembly supported the Communist motion which was turned down today.—Reuter.

COMMITTEE CRITICISM
Paris, Aug. 8.—Several committees of the French Assembly today attacked the new government's plan to meet the fiscal and economic crisis by Cabinet decrees.

The Committees for the Military, Labour and Industrial Production sought to pull their own departments out of reach of the "rule by decree" as soon as the Assembly opened its special Sunday session at 9.30.

Under the new proposal advanced by the government of Andre Marie, reorganisation of the government from taxes to petty job holding would be permitted without reference to the delaying debate of the assembly.

As an initial concession, the government had to accept an amendment in the Finance Committee to agree not to increase taxes without reference to the Assembly. After that the Committee voted 22-15 for the bill. Communists and certain others opposed. That came just after midnight today. After a brief sleep the Assembly swept into full debate.—Associated Press.

Simpson Case Reviewed

Sentence of "two years' hard labour" passed on Robert Arthur James Simpson, health inspector, on July 24, was reduced to 14 months following a successful application made on his behalf by Mrs. C. M. H. Simpson (nee Hodgson), widow of Mr. D. A. Simpson, at Central Court this morning. Full report appears on Page 5.



Here are two people whose names have made the headlines recently. Left, William W. Bemington, Commerce Department official denying to a Senate subcommittee in Washington investigating Communist influence in the Government that he supplied secret and confidential information to the Communists during the war. Above, Elizabeth Bentley, former Soviet agent, tells a House Committee in Washington that she obtained secret wartime information for the Russians from US Government officials. One she named was Mr. Lushkin Currie, one time aid to the late President Roosevelt and his special adviser in China.—AP Picture.

TRUMAN FAILS TO OBTAIN ACTION

Washington, Aug. 8.—Congressmen hurried away today to resume their interrupted holiday after closing the door on the special session called by President Harry S. Truman.

In their 11 extra working days, the Republican-dominated Congress had with a few exceptions ignored the President's call for far-reaching measures to restrain inflation and encourage house-building.

The Congress, branded by the President as "one of the worst the nation has ever had," dealt as follows with Truman's legislation requests:

- Excess profits tax—no action.
- Consumer credit control—granted.
- Regulation of bank credit—granted.
- Regulation of commodity speculation—no action.
- Authority to allocate scarce materials—no action.
- Rent controls—no action.
- Conditional rationing—no action.
- Price control and limited wage controls—no action.
- Long-range housing bill—denied in favour of a limited measure not touching on public housing and slum clearance, but providing new aids to private construction of small homes and flats.

International wheat agreement—deferred. Civil rights legislation—no action.

While Congress was in session, the attention of the public was diverted largely to a dramatic series of hearings before Committees of both the House of Representatives and the Senate on charges that Communist spies and sympathisers had wormed their way into the Federal Government.

President Truman replied by accusing the Republicans of trying to hide the shortcomings of Congress by a "red herring" hunt for Communists.—Reuter.

FIGHTING IN JERUSALEM

Jerusalem, Aug. 8.—At least three Arab Legion troops and one Jewish soldier were hit during an exchange of fire today in the Arab-Jewish border territory near the Shekh Jarrah sector, outside the Jerusalem old city walls, an official Jewish source said.

An Arab fired two mortar shells at a Jewish position on Mount Zion from the old city wall, the source added. Sporadic rifle and automatic fire was directed at the Jerusalem Jewish suburb of Talpith and was returned by Israeli soldiers.

Planes taking the United Nations observers were for the first time over the Jerusalem area to spot local violations of the second Palestine truce now in its fourth week. The United Nations mediator, Count Folke Bernadotte, is expected in the Jerusalem area tomorrow.—Associated Press.

New Phase In The "Cold War"

Arrests Of Western Sector Police

Berlin, Aug. 8.—It was revealed today that the Russians had opened a new phase of the Berlin cold war by starting to arrest Western Sector police found in the Soviet quarter of the city.

A number of Western Sector policemen were arrested yesterday and the British authorities indicated that seizures continued. American sources said the German city authorities had demanded the immediate release of all officers seized.

The Soviet-controlled police started their new aggression late last night when they swept down on the homes of Western police who reside in the Russian Sector. Some of them were taken off without even being given time to dress.

POLICE FORCE SPLIT

The new Russian campaign stemmed from the recent split in the Berlin police force. The City police chief, Paul Markgraf, a strong pro-Communist, was dismissed by the German city authorities, who elected in his place his deputy, Johann Stumm.

The Russians refuse to recognise Markgraf's dismissal and he is acting as police chief in the Soviet Sector. However, most of his men elected to go with Stumm to form a separate Western Sector police force.

Those policemen who are being arrested are Stumm's men who have continued to maintain homes in the Soviet sector because of the housing shortage.

The British-licensed newspaper Sozial Demokrat reported that Russian inspectors had started to round up Germans who were unable to prove they were employed. The newspaper said the Germans were being put into trucks and taken to an unknown destination.

VIENNA KIDNAPPING

Reports of the Soviet arrests coincided with dispatches from Vienna, which said four Russian soldiers "kidnapped" an unidentified man two days ago as he was leaving the Yugoslav Legation in the Austrian capital.

The Vienna police said the man put up a fierce fight, but he was overpowered and taken away in an automobile.

The Yugoslav Legation in the international sector of Vienna, which is being administered by the Soviets this month.

Yugoslav Embassy officials could not be reached for comment, but observers said the arrest might have been connected with the recent denunciation of Yugoslavia by the Soviet-dominated Cominform.

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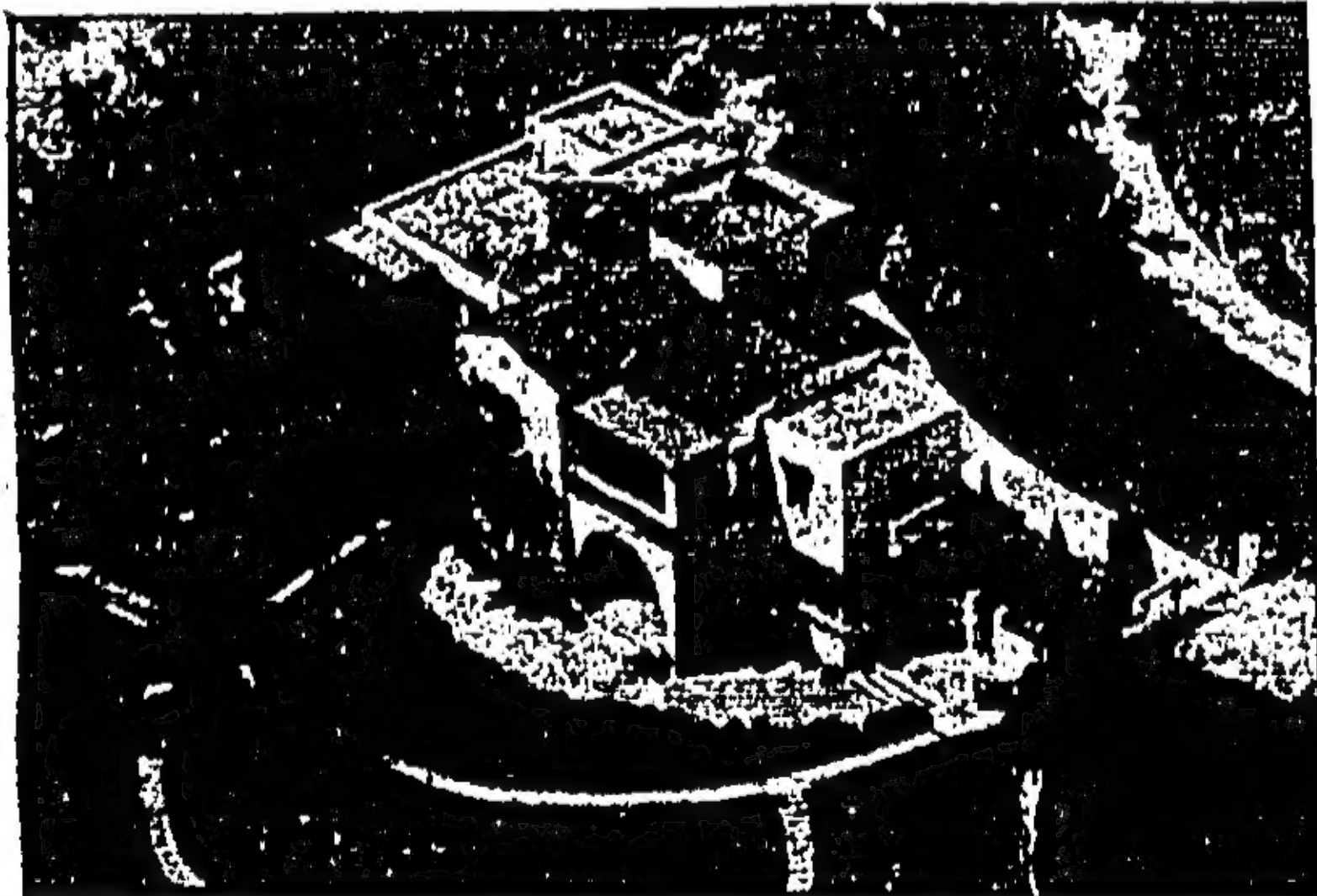
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WOMANSENSE

Variation of the Cotton Theme

DID YOU EVER see so many smart and simply beautiful cotton frocks as are available this season? Regular garden party frocks some of them are, especially the beautiful embroidered lawns. Tissue-fine chambray in a delicate lavender shade is used for this cool and pretty afternoon town dress (left). Mother of pearl buttons parade down a centre front band

By VERA WINSTON



Lavender chambray afternoon dress.



Blue cotton vacation dress.

and partly fasten the all sleeves. The bodice is draped into the centre band. The circular skirt swings and swooshes over a tulle petticoat.

VARIATIONS OF an outfit that might well be termed the "sailor girl" are many and charming, for the nautical motif is very much of the season just now. Royal blue

cotton broadcloth is used for this (middle), all done up with white braid piping on the collar and sleeves. There are five rows of braid on the skirt which is amply flared. A nice little resort or vacation number.

PERHAPS THE most enduring of all fashions is the trig, sleek shirt-waist frock which is capable of so many variations. Iridescent checked cotton, purple, blue and black, is used for this very wearable summer frock (on the right), an all-day shirtwaister with classic open neck and cuffed sleeves. The skirt is interesting with its fullness set into a curved seam in front. The back of the skirt is gored.



Checked cotton shirtwaist frock.

NEW LOOK FOR THE KITCHEN

By ELEANOR ROSS

HOW glad the modern housewife must be that the scientific type of kitchen, all unrelieved white

flavour in this sauce, it is best to pass its prime. It came in with the first automatic refrigerator and for many years has been touted as the ideal workshop for the housewife. But women everywhere soon began to add pretty touches to soften the all-white surface. This is a great improvement and much more conducive to happy working conditions. After all, although it must be sparsely clean, a home kitchen is not a science lab, and so slowly the kitchen, while taking on more gadgets, has been nicely prettified up.

Recently there has been an exhibit kitchen that combines beautifully all the best features of a really well-equipped room with warm, friendly, colourful charm. Pink-toned wood walls have green colour accents in the form of an attractive garden arrangement over the sink area. Vertical bamboo poles have been cut open at intervals to hold small plant or flower containers.

Beautiful Range

A curved U-shaped arrangement takes care of the beautiful new range, the sink with its electric garbage disposal unit and fine array of kitchen cabinets, with strips of the pink-toned wood walls used as fillers. The wood is also visible above the sink counter tops and between wall cabinets, and adds a nice and refreshing change from the stark all-white work centre. We like wood because it holds hooks and nails for utensils at convenient spots.

There are nice broad wood counters for cutting and for general food preparation, and the baking centre is marked by a marble slab. We like very much the work surface and snack table with wood top and storage cupboards underneath, that has its place in the centre of the kitchen.

Small Desk

Another approval-getter was a small desk with a lift-up top which brings to view a cosmetic tray and mirror, as smart a piece of furniture as we have seen in many a day.

Above the desk is a bulletin board of perforated material to which notes may be readily attached. Gray floral wallpaper decorates the walls of the laundry room, placed to one side of the kitchen. An automatic washer, dryer and iron are compactly arranged in a small space. At the other end of the kitchen a glass-panelled door leads to a wonderful freezing and storage centre, with bins and wire mesh above which are plenty of shelves.

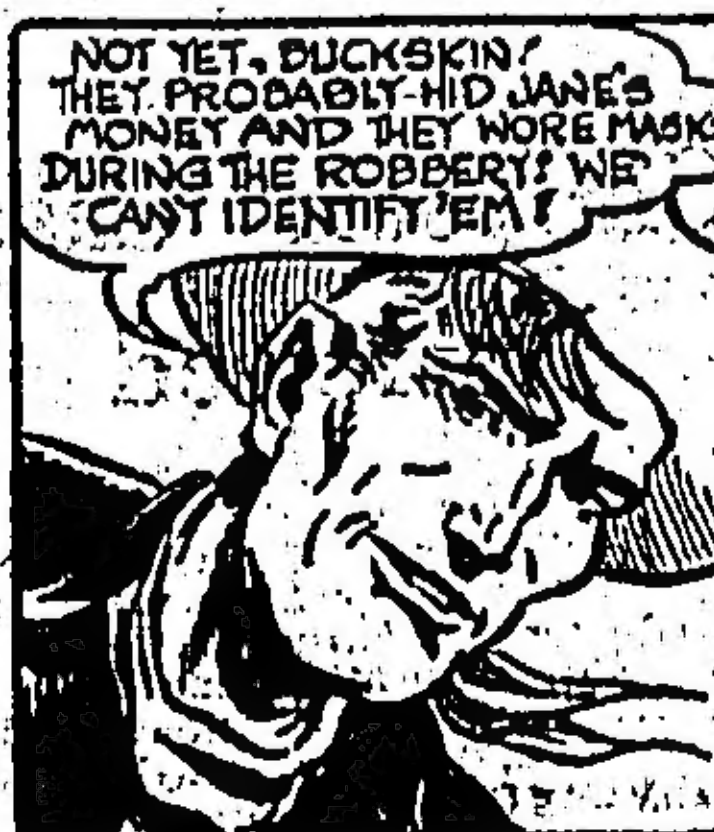
The kitchen is rich with all sorts of attractive gadgets including a wall can opener with a magnet attachment to attract the lid of an open can.

MIDSUMMER



Midsummer of midsummer... a wide-brimmed Breton boater trimmed with cabbage roses and a forehead fringe veil.

RED RYDER



A Plan



By Fred Harman

Shoe Shopping? Choose Wisely



White is a general favourite for summer and among the newest shoe offerings is this attractive pair with Cuban heel.

By HELEN FOLLETT

SUMMER shoes are exciting. When you fare forth to buy them, you will be surprised at the variety of offerings in the shops. A new and popular model reminds one of a shell. It is open all around, gives support, leaves the foot free of movement. Of course, you must be careful to select the right size. Not too small, not too large, wide enough so you won't force the toes into a huddle.

The shell shoe is light; the upper portion barely rims the foot. The shell is held together strongly and comfortably by a flexible leather sole. What could be nicer for summer use, trotting around at summer resorts or doing just nothing at all?

Contrasting stitching on leather sole edges remains popular, as in early spring. The opportunity for colour contrast is not overlooked by designers who are giving us the smartest shoes we have had since before the war. White is in high favour this summer, as always.

Those who have their ears to the ground and know what what tell us that dress shoes will be mostly closed up with higher throat lines. Straps—often double—will be used on all types of shoes. A party pump that appeals to the eye, gives comfort to the feet, has a wide strap that divides in two, the ends buckling at the sides. Perforations dot the strap and vamp and complement stitching on the extension leather sole.

When choosing a pair of shoes ask yourself a few questions. Are they for the housework treadmill? For shopping? For chasing out to bridge and tea parties or where you find social pleasures? There are shoes for all occasions. The correct one must be selected.

Never wear run-down slippers when tagging around the house. It is a grave mistake, will not only prove disastrous to the feet but will cause the ankles to thicken. There will be strain on the muscles of the legs. Be kind to your feet and they will be kind to you.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Mr. Punch Was a Good Swimmer

—A Seal Named Flippo Taught Him How—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-around name, asked his friend Mr. Punch if he knew how to swim.

Mr. Punch looked up from his book with a smile. "My dear boy," he said, "I can swim as well as a seal. In fact, it was a seal who taught me how to swim."

Knarf was quite surprised to hear that Mr. Punch had learned how to swim as well as a seal, and especially surprised that it was a seal who taught him. "Yes," Mr. Punch went on, "it all happened when my uncle, Punctual, gave me a birthday seal for a birthday present. I named the seal Flippo and soon he was quite tame. He used to follow me all about the house, flapping around on his flippers."

"What are flippers?" asked Knarf.

Not Exactly Arms

"Well," said Mr. Punch, thoughtfully, "they aren't exactly arms, and they aren't exactly paddles—but they look a little like both. At any rate, Flippo had them and he used them to flap around the house with."

"When did he teach you to swim?" Knarf asked.

"I was just coming to that," said Mr. Punch. "One day I took Flippo down to the pond at the bottom of the hill. I wanted him to watch me while I sailed my little boat. To my astonishment, Flippo suddenly uttered a grunt of joy and sprang into the pond. And then I saw that his flippers, which might have been arms, were now more like paddles than they had ever been before. He swam through the water faster than any fish I'd ever seen and turned around and did somersaults, and leaped out of the water into the air and finally sprang back to the bank, right at my feet."

"I could see—from the way he looked up at me," Mr. Punch continued, "that Flippo wanted me to swim with him, so I decided to learn how to swim as soon as possible. While I was wondering who could teach me to swim, I suddenly heard Flippo grunting again. I could not understand seal-language yet I was positive he was trying to say, 'I'll teach you how to swim, Punch! I'll teach you how to swim!'"



Little Punch took swimming lessons from a seal.

"And did he?" asked Knarf.

"Indeed he did," said Mr. Punch. "It was very long before Flippo and I were both racing through the water faster than any fish you ever saw. We turned and twisted. We did somersaults. We sprang in and out of the water."

Havo A Race

"And then one day," said Mr. Punch, "we decided to have a race. I'm sorry we ever decided to have it because it was the last I ever saw of Flippo."

"What happened?" asked Knarf in dismay.

Mr. Punch sighed. "The pond wasn't big enough so we went down to the sea shore. I quite forgot that we weren't still in our little pond so I foolishly shouted, 'I'll race you to the other side, Flippo!' And off we both went, quick as a flash. And then, little by little, I remembered that I was in the ocean, and finally I turned back. But I never saw Flippo again. Yet I'm quite sure, even though it was miles and miles away that Flippo kept swimming to the other side. How disappointed he must have been not to have seen me swimming with him as I always did before but," and Mr. Punch smiled again, "how happy he must have been to win the race, and to know that from then on, he had the whole big wide ocean to do his swimming in."

SHAKESPEARE

CROSSWORD

Our crossword is on the silhouette of our hero's head:



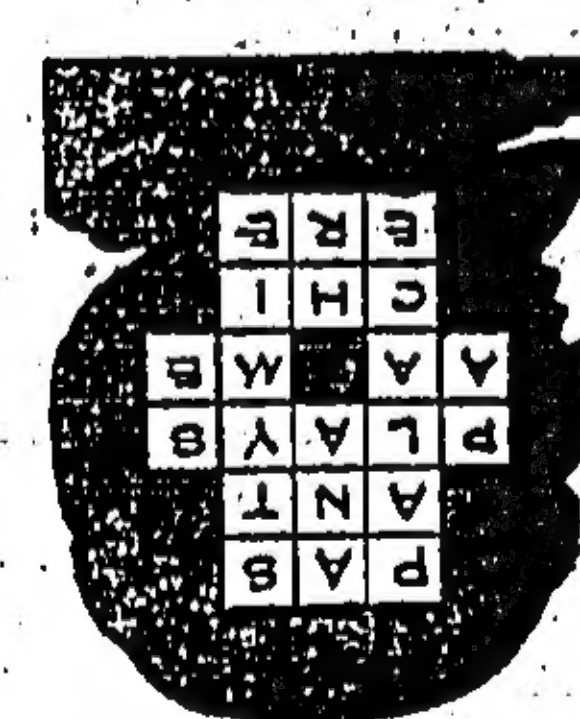
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- 4 Social insect
- 5 He wrote many—
- 7 Automobile Association.
- 8 Myself.
- 9 Greek letter
- 11 Before

DOWN

- 1 Royal residence
- 2 Collection of sayings
- 3 Gaffer's term
- 5 Father
- 6 Compass point
- 10 Hour (ab.)

SOLUTION



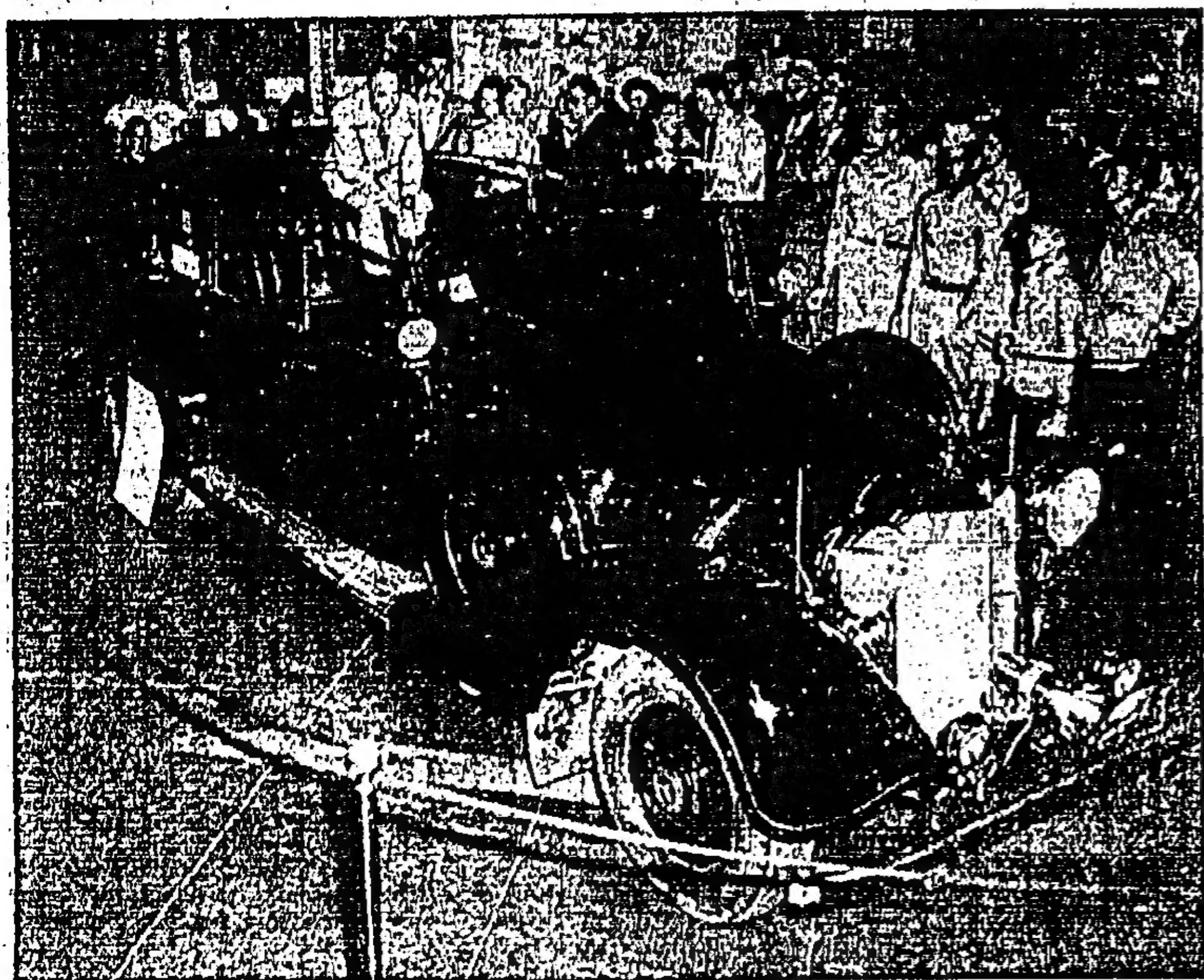
Rupert & Ting-Ling?



When he reaches a turn in the path Rupert stops suddenly. Standing in front of him is a boy he has never seen before, wearing very odd clothes and a tiny hat and an enormous smile. "Hello, your friend Pong-Ping," says the boy in a high-pitched voice. "Rupert" waves in astonishment. Then he pulls himself together. "Yes," he says. "Me—I mean I am a friend of Pong-Ping's. Is he at home? Shall we go and find him?"

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



USED CAR—Actor Roland Young sits in quiet thought as he perches on the back seat of the armour-plated limousine used by Hitler in his 1941 "Victory Parade" in Berlin. Christopher Janas, who bought the car, lent it for exhibition in New York, with all admission proceeds going to Greek war orphans' relief.



PLEASED TO MEET YOU—This polar bear, recently arrived in New York's Bronx Zoo from Denmark, goes right out to make a few friends, and says "how do" to a feminine acquaintance "next door." Lady bear seems to be enjoying the zoo-rendevouz.



BUSINESS-HONEYMOON TRIP—Pianist William Kapell and his wife board a plane for South America, where he will give his second concert. The trip is a combined concert tour and honeymoon for the pair, recently wed in Chicago.



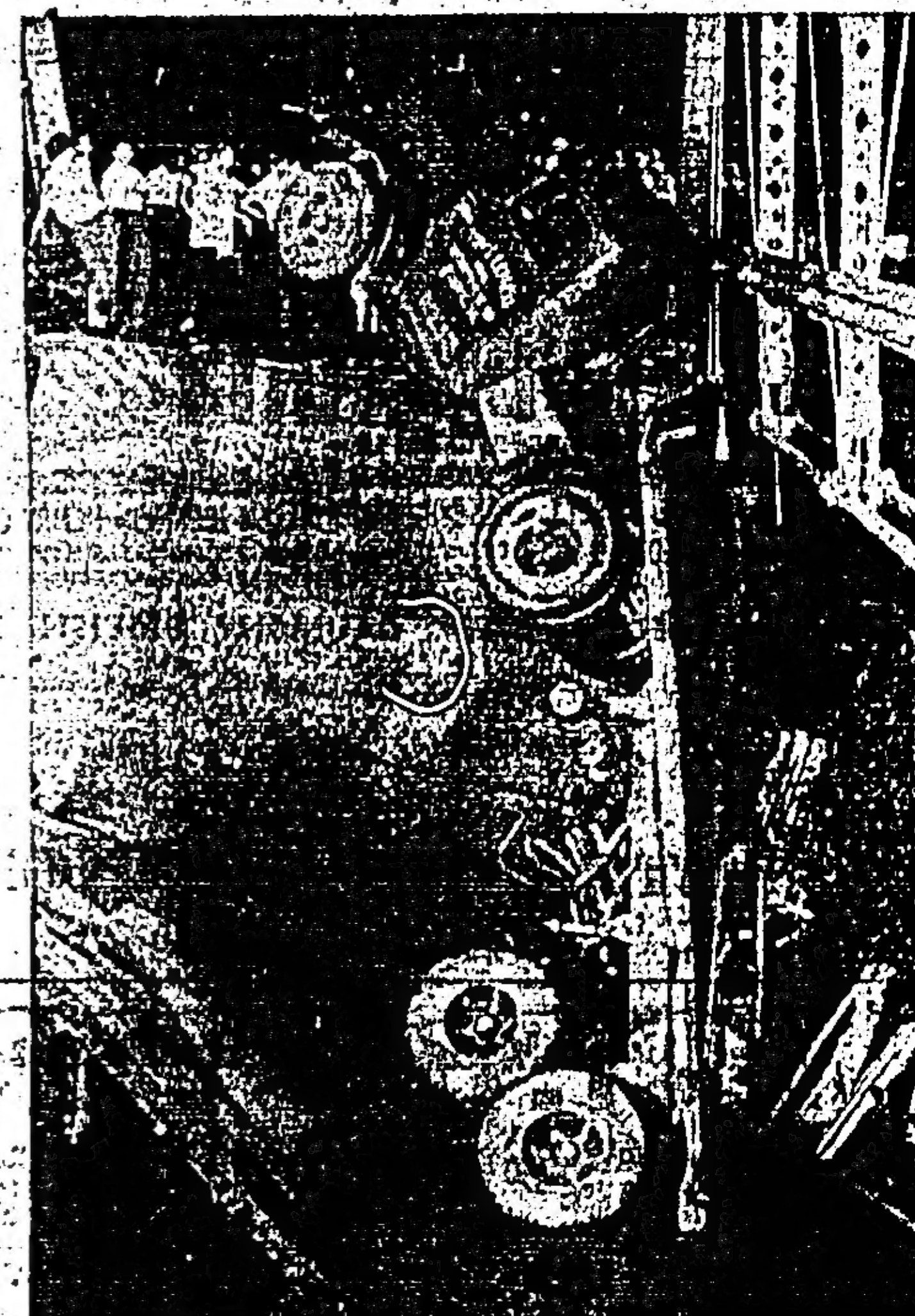
PERSUASIVE SALESGIRL—Joyce Chandler balances one of Florida's latest products and makes a pretty picture in the deal. Florida planters are attempting to cultivate pineapple on a large scale and hope to offer competition to Hawaiian and Caribbean growers by 1950.



OOO-LA-LA — Parisian fashion is featuring this unique playsuit with fitted, laced, peplum bodice and a billowing pair of bloomer trunks. Reversible bodice (navy on one side, polka-dotted navy on the other) may be worn in a number of ways.



DOUBLE WEDDING—Mrs Lillian H. Brown, 73, mother of six children, wasn't going to be left out when her 19-year-old grandson married in Milford, New Haven, so they made it a double wedding. Grandmother and grandson beam happily at their respective mates.



LUCKY BREAK—The tractor of this trailer-truck hangs precariously over the bridge it was crossing in Kinsman, Ohio, when the structure collapsed. The driver managed to crawl uninjured from his swinging perch above the river.

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SHIPMATES—President Romulo Gallegos of Venezuela receives a U.S. Navy salute as he reviews vessels anchored in New Orleans harbour. With him, at left, is Walter Donnelly, U. S. Ambassador to Venezuela.



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PARIS: 'They say
Bevin is pleased to
see Bidault go...'

THE Berlin crisis has
claimed its first political
victim.

The French have sacked
their Foreign Minister, Georges
Bidault. Which is all the more
remarkable as M. Bidault had
come to be regarded as un-
sackable. He has been France's
Foreign Minister ever since the
liberation in September 1944.

Cabinets came and Cabinets went,
but Georges Bidault stayed. He was
Foreign Minister in them all.
M. Schuman, the ex-Premier, who
follows him, will not make any
radical changes in France's policy
over the Berlin affair. The only
modification expected is that he will
seek an even closer co-ordination of
France's policy with Mr. Bevin's. He
will support the more cautious policy
of Britain against the less inhibited
policy of the United States.

In Paris they even go so far as
to say that Bidault has been dis-
missed to please Bevin.

They also say that M. Schuman
can be counted on to take a firmer
line with his diplomats and generals.
He will not allow them to force a
policy on him by their actions—the
question now made against M.
Bidault.

P.S.—One other point they are
making in Paris about the new
French Cabinet is that the advent
to power of Radical Socialist Pre-
mier Marie should end the eclipse
of his great party.
Now that they are back in office
the Radicals should be able to re-
build their traditional system of
patronage and regain their lost
influence and votes, thus becoming
a bulwark against de Gaulle.
I wonder.

FRANKFORT: Europe
has 40 Red soldiers
to every American..

HERE are some details about the
American armed strength in
Europe and the United States.
American ground forces in Ger-
many consist of about 60,000 troops.
Of these fewer than 24,000 are
combat troops.

In addition there are about
30,000 highly mechanised constabulary
troops in the Trieste area
there are 6,000 American soldiers, of
whom about 3,100 are combat
troops.

The U.S. Air Force in Europe is
disposed as follows: In Western
Germany or the U.K., three groups
of B29 bombers (90 aircraft); one
group of dated B47 fighters (75 air-
craft); two troop-carrier groups
totaling 93 planes of the C47 type;
54 four-engine transports tempo-
rarily reinforcing the Berlin air
lift; 40 jet fighters (F84s), and the
80 Super-Forcesses which have just
arrived in Britain. The first 16
of the jet fighters have arrived in
Frankfurt.

The mobile striking force in the
United States which could be sent
to Europe in an emergency is only
54,000 men. And these 54,000 are
urgently needed at home in America
to train recruits.

The air force is better off. Apart
from what is in Europe, the eight
groups of heavy bombers in
America, all equipped with improved
B29s. In addition, there are 12
fighter groups of about 75 planes
each.

The Red Army, by contrast, is
estimated to be about 3,000,000
strong with 175 combat divisions.
Russia's satellite European armies
number about 1,121,000 men.

The strength of the Russian Air
Force is estimated at about 14,000
aircraft, including 200 jet fighters
and about 100 bombers of the B29
Super-Forcesses type.

It is generally accepted that Rus-
sia has not yet got the atomic bomb.
The Americans have ringed Russia
with instruments which would re-
gister an atomic explosion. Nothing
has been registered yet.

LONDON: Britons
pay reparations to
the Germans...

ALMOST unbelievable but true:
British firms owning factories
in Germany are being made to
pay compensation to German firms
whose works have been dismantled
for reparations.

The German economic administra-
tion has issued an order calling on
all firms in the British and U.S.
zones to contribute machinery to
help rebuild German factories which
have been dismantled for repara-
tions.

British firms with factories in
Germany have so far appeared in
vain against the application of the
order to them.

And this is not the only blow
against British commercial interests
in Germany.

The currency reform has reduced
the cash assets of British firms from
163,000,000 marks to 10,500,000
marks.

German firms have not suffered
the same losses. For they were
able to anticipate and counteract
currency reform by converting their
cash into goods, and thus escape
devaluation.

British firms, under a Nazi order
confirmed by the Control Commis-
sion, had their money frozen in
blocked accounts which they were
not allowed to use.

Then there are the 230 millions
of credits advanced to Germany
during the 'twenties. They were
frozen by the Nazis. They are
still frozen by the Control Commis-
sion. British creditors would like
to use this money to buy con-
trolling interests in German indus-
tries—a sound political move.

The Control Commission will not
hear of it. It would be unfair to
the Germans, it says.

BELGRADE: It looks
as though someone
must be fibbing...

WHO is diverting from whom?
TANYUG, Tito's official news
agency, reported on July 10:—

Yugoslav students of the artillery
technical school in Leningrad have
addressed greetings to the Central
Committee of the Communist Party
of Yugoslavia. "On our part," they
say, "we are firmly convinced that
the policy pursued by our Central
Committee under the leadership of
Marshal Tito is internationalistic
and based on the principles of
Marxism-Leninism. We are certain
that the standers against our glorious
homeland, and our party will be re-
moved, and that in future our coun-
try will enjoy still greater love and
trust of all progressive forces in the
world."

But this came from Moscow:—
Two hundred and forty-six Yugo-
slav Communists now studying in
Soviet naval and military academies
these signed an open letter to the
Yugoslav Communist Congress now
meeting in Belgrade urging it to
dismiss Marshal Tito and the other
Moscow-criticised leaders.
Hmph!

THE GUNS COME OUT AT DAPPLEMERE FARM

PAWLING, New York.

A NARROW sandy lane runs
up a hill from the hamlet
of Quaker Hill, near here. On
the crest of the hill is a
spacious, white-painted farm-
house that may soon be the
most famous private house in
the United States.

For Mr Tom Dewey, the Governor
of New York, lives there. Next
November (and all the prophets
are wrong) Dewey will be elected
President. And already his farm-
house is taking on some of the
aspects of a fortress. Huaky young
armed guards stand in the lane,
fingering their revolvers. Heavy
chains close off the gravel drive
against unwanted entries.

14 ROOMS

Dapplemere Farm is the name of
the house. It cost Dewey a little
less than £8,000 just before the war.
It has 14 rooms, including a guest
suite; that could be offered to any-
body. Two cool, brick-floored patios
—one at the back overlooking most
of the farm's 300-odd acres—have
already been the scene of day after
day conferences with all sorts of
people. Senator Vandenberg has
made the 300-mile journey from
Washington to talk party strategy.
Mr John Foster Dulles, the New
York lawyer who is Dewey's foreign
affairs mentor, has week-ended at
the farm. General Eisenhower, close
personal friend of President Truman
that he is, has driven the 70 miles
from New York City to discuss with
Dewey the implications of events in
Berlin.

Dewey is now resting at the farm
before the Presidential campaign
opens in a month's time. He gets
up at 9.30 a.m. He breakfasts on
orange juice, two fried eggs with
ham, toast and coffee; then, in an
open-necked shirt and a pair of old
slacks, he sets off for a tour of his
farm.

Lunch is usually a fairly light
meal, for Dewey, at 40, is begin-

ning to worry about his weight and
is determined to keep it down. With
Mrs Dewey and the boys (Tom, aged
15, and John, aged 12) he takes a
green salad, with cold meats, bread
and butter, ice-cream and a cup
of black coffee. Then (when there
is a visitor to give him a game)
he goes out for an afternoon of golf
on the village nine-hole course.
Most days he goes round twice, even
when the temperature is in the 90s.

Then comes his daily swim and
a brisk walk back to the house for
the first drink of the day: an old-
fashioned served on the back porch.
It is made of rye whisky, sugar,
fruit slices, a dash of bitters and a
spoonful of water: the whole served
on a couple of squares of ice.

STEAK SUPPER

This is followed by a typical
American dinner, which the Deweys
call "supper": fresh fruit cocktail,
under one steak; fried potatoes,
beans and squash; apple pie with a
generous hunk of vanilla ice-cream
on top (which Dewey pretends is a
concession to the boys, but which
actually he enjoys very much); milk
and coffee. An hour of singing with
the family or of playing some par-
lour game with his sons and Dewey
is ready for bed. Lights are usually
out at the farm before midnight.

Since he fought Roosevelt four
years ago there have been big
changes in Dewey. When I called
at the farm and talked with him, I
found a man far more poised than
four years ago.

He has been Governor of the
State of New York for the past
8½ years, and the way he has run
it provides a clear clue to the sort
of government America will have
with him in the White House.

It will be a government by team:
the sharpest possible contrast to the
principle of the Indispensable Man

that ruled throughout the Roosevelt
era. It will be less colour-
ful. Dewey has never claimed to be a
magnetic, dynamic personality like
Roosevelt. But most of his official
family in Albany, the New York
State capital, have served him for
years and are still intensely loyal;
and they are still intensely loyal;
and they are still intensely loyal;
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On Governor Dewey's back
porch they are planning the
strategy that may
change the course
of American history.

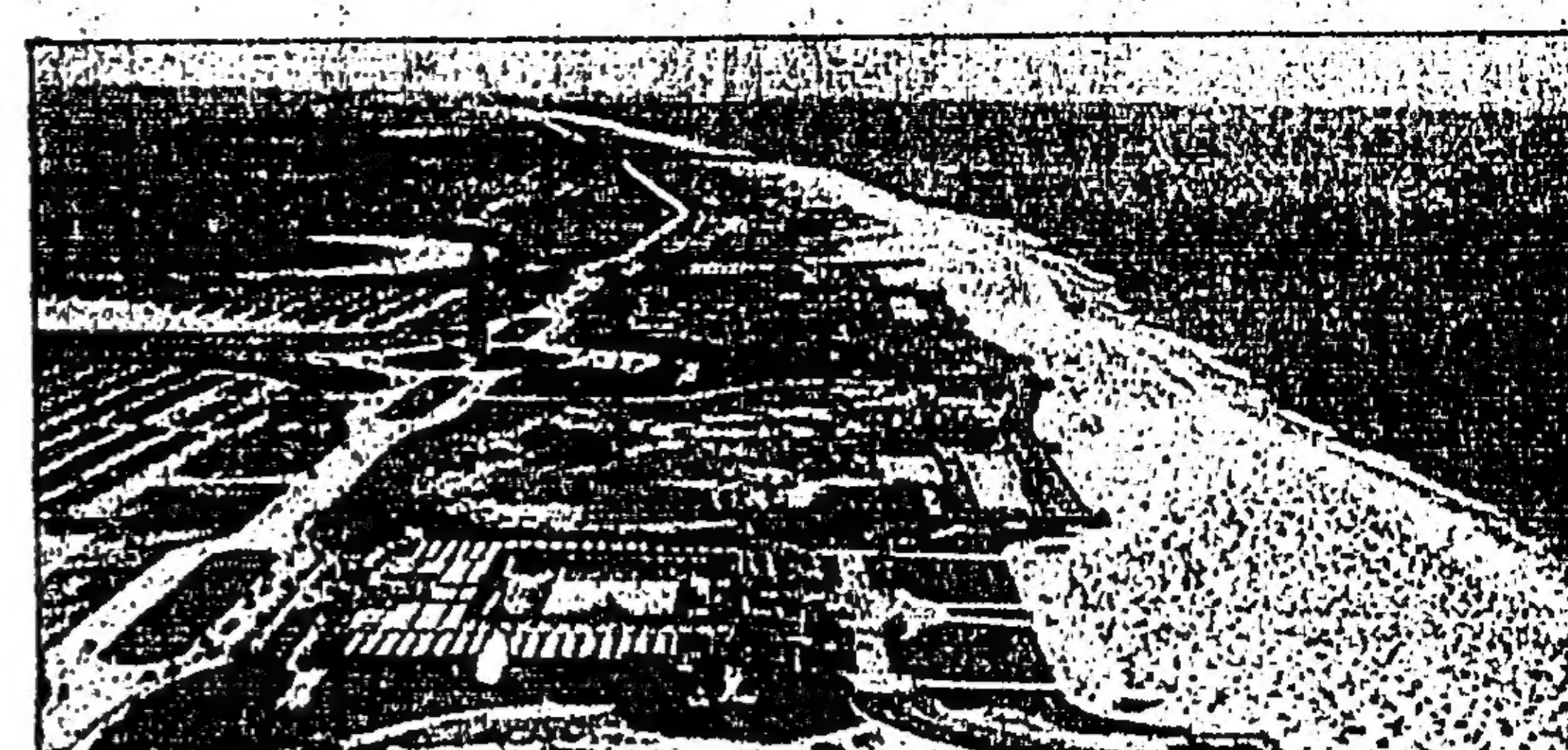
Even Dewey himself habitually
refers to "Our team and speaks of
"Us" as though he had come to think
of himself in the plural.

NO DISGUISE

Characteristically (and cleverly)
Dewey makes no attempt now to
hide the fact that he was once a
Isolationist, and firmly opposed
Lend-Lease. "Where'd you an Isola-
tionist, too, in the days before Pearl
Harbour?" he seems to say chal-
lengingly to his critics. "Did't you
want to isolate America from war
if you could? Would anyone but a
maniac get into a war if he could
stay out?"

The Democrats would do well to
keep a close eye on the 180-year-
old farmhouse, atop Quaker Hill.
And on some of the people who are
finding their way up here for con-
fidential chats on the back porch.

WORLD'S NO. 1 PLAYGROUND



'MILLIONAIRE' BEACH FOR THE MILLION —and everything is free

By Evelyn Webber

JUST 33 miles from Man-
hattan, on the southern
shore of Long Island, lies
Jones Beach State Park—37
square miles of it. The
greatest people's playground in
the world.

Jones Beach is the one thing
in the whole of capitalist
America that most surprises
the visiting Russians. It is
equipped with everything you
could find at the millionaire
resorts, and it cost £3,750,000
to build. Yet nearly every-
thing there for your enjoyment
is free.

ORIGINALY a whaling sta-
tion, the playground was
built and is operated by the
State of New York authorities.
It is one of 12 similar "County
Council beaches" they have
built on Long Island.

I went to Jones Beach with
the Conways, a typical Ameri-
can family. There was bank
clerk Mr Conway and his wife,
and Melvyn and Valerie, six and
eight. We went in Mr Con-
way's car, along one of the
special speedways devoid of
stop-lights the whole 33 miles.

Admission when we reached the
beach was 2s. 6d. For that we could
use one of the parking fields, which
cover 82 acres—and on Sundays
hold 15,000 cars. If we had gone
by bus or train admission would
have cost nothing.

Bathing, water skiing and sur-
fing are among the projects
chiefly for its 120,000 daily
visitors. Bathhouses on the pro-
menade have heated open-air salt-
water swimming and diving pools,
and children's pools.

But whether we swam in them,
or the Atlantic Ocean just down the
steps, we could shower at the bath-
houses free after our dip. Every

500 yards along the ocean's edge are
lifeguards perched on towers, to
watch and rescue reckless swim-
mers.

First the family sunbathed on the
white sands and on the sundeck
equipped with free ocean-voyage
lounges chairs. Just as Mr Con-
way fell asleep someone suggested
some exercise.

There was archery (national
tournaments are played at Jones
Beach), putting, table-tennis,
"paddle-tennis" (played on a full-
size court with perforated wooden
racquets) and shuffleboard. All the
games are by the sea, in the open
air, floodlit at night. Mr Conway
paid 6d. for them. Sixpence, too, for
the outdoor roller-skating, including
hire of the skates.

It was difficult to drag him away
from the cruise pedal-boats in the
bay; or from the fisherman's cor-
ner, where rowing boats, bait and
tackle, if he wanted it, were avail-
able. The cost? Five shillings a
day.

MRS Conway said she wanted to sit
in the sun and hear the free or-
chestral concert in the afternoon.
The children didn't. So with a
sigh of relief she deposited them in
one of the free open-air, "Indian
Village" kindergartens.

They were wildly excited as they
saw the real wigwams and the
nurses dressed as Indians squatting
on the grass, ready to tell stories of
Indian folklore. A moment to
prepare for Melvyn and Valerie to
attend the free gymnastic and swim-
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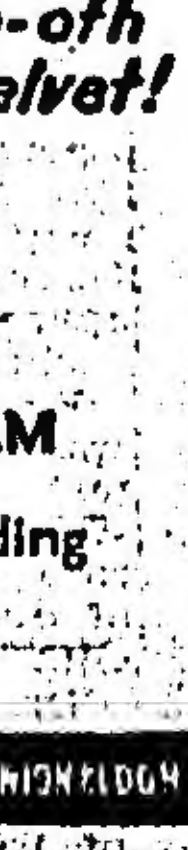
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SENTENCE ON SIMPSON CUT TO 14 MONTHS

The sentence of two years' hard labour passed on Robert Arthur James Simpson, 41, Health Inspector of the Central Market, for accepting a bribe of \$200, was this morning reduced by Mr d'Almada at Central Court to 14 months' hard labour, following an application for review of sentence made by Mr J. C. Stewart on behalf of Simpson.

The offence, according to the prosecution, was connected with a Government Health Village scheme for squatters at Tsat Tse Mui, North Point.

Mr Stewart said:

"I ask your Worship to review the sentence which you passed on Robert Arthur James Simpson, namely two years with hard labour. This sentence was passed on July 24, 1948, when Simpson pleaded guilty to accepting a bribe of \$200.

"With your Worship's approval I propose to present the case for review in the following manner: "First: I shall ask for permission to call and submit certain medical evidence as authorised in Sec. 99 (6) of the Magistrates Ordinance 1933. In this connection I would explain that the Hon. Director of Medical Services of the Hongkong Government, having heard of Simpson's arrest and that he was before your Worship on July 24, decided that the Court should know of Simpson's mental health, and, in particular, of the findings of a Medical Board constituted to investigate Simpson's mental state.

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

"The Hon. Director of Medical Services arrived in this Court today late in the afternoon. He had been passed on Simpson. He did, however, see my friend Inspector Johnstone, who was good enough to advise me what had taken place. In the circumstances, I approached the Hon. DMS who placed this confidential report at my disposal and recommended Dr Willis as the person who knew most of Simpson's background, his history and mental health. The DMS authorised Dr Willis to give evidence in this Court.

"Dr Willis will tell us what led up to the Medical Board and what the findings were and what they meant. He will say in effect that Simpson committed inexcusable breaches of discipline for which he might have been dismissed but for the mitigation found in his mental condition. The pity is that he was not invalided out of the Government then.

Secondly: I shall call Dr Willis who examined him and will produce the Medical Board proceedings. Thirdly: I shall ask the Court on the application for review and to state the grounds and arguments on which the appeal is based."

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE

Dr J. S. Willis, of the Medical Department, said he came to know Simpson in 1947 when he (Simpson) worked under him as District Health Officer. At that time he had no previous knowledge of Simpson's history. At times Simpson was an excellent worker, but at other times he "let him down." In the beginning he took Simpson as he found him. Simpson did several very good jobs, but on one or two occasions witness discovered in him some oddities which he at first thought were "eccentricities."

Dr Willis said that it was reported to him that Simpson was absent without leave during the whole of December 24. He thought that this was possibly an early celebration of Christmas then, but on January 8 Simpson was again absent. His explanation led witness to suspect that he did not always know what he was doing. Simpson's excuse was that on January 8 he had fully intended to go to work, but when he got to the ferry he simply could not board it. Some force turned him round and sent him back to the Y.M.C.A. where he was living. Simpson gave the same excuse for his absence on January 17. He was very cut up about the whole affair, was most penitent and on the verge of tears at times, and actually wrote a note of resignation.

Dr Willis said that it seemed odd to him that Simpson, knowing he would be dismissed, repeated the offence the very next day after he had been warned. "I did not think a normal man would keep on smacking our faces like that," he added.

Confidential report of the Medical Board concerning Simpson was handed to the Magistrate by Dr Willis, who said that as a result of these oddities he noticed he spoke to Dr Utley. Simpson had been seriously considered for dismissal, but after the evidence of witness and Mr Hooper, who was of the opinion that the man was not normal, the Board decided that it would be unable to dismiss him. The Board came to the conclusion that he could be rehabilitated and put him under the charge of witness.

ANOTHER ODDITY

Dr Willis said in the course of his medical study he also pursued psychology. The characteristics of hypomania were elation, flights of fancy and often loss of self-control. There were usually silly phrases uttered and words obviously fetched but which still made sense. When he heard of the diagnosis applied to Simpson he looked up a text book on the subject, said Dr Willis, who cited from the book a case of hypomania in which a man of distinguished record bought cars with worthless cheques. Dr Willis also recalled another oddity of Simpson's. When Simpson was assigned to the squatters' camp, he was originally to attend a meet-

ing at the Central Police Station with Mr Tyrer, ASP, in connection with the clearing of the old G.C.H. Simpson knew of this appointment but never showed up at the meeting. That very day he was seen by the Chief Health Inspector in the street but passed him without Simpson showing any sign of recognition.

Mr Stewart continued: "May it please your Worship to hear what I advance as grounds for the reduction of the sentence. First and foremost there is his medical history and mental condition. Your Worship was not given the opportunity at the original hearing—of considering all that is now placed before you. This unbalanced, unfortunate man not only insisted on an immediate plea of guilty, but he refused to allow me to ask for a seven-day adjournment in order that I might have an opportunity to investigate his mental health. I saw at once that all was not well and I recommended an examination by Dr Scriven, who is the only practising psychiatrist in the Colony.

"Before I go further I must make it clear that I do not advance Simpson's mental condition as defence. I advance it as a mitigating factor. May I refer back to and remind your Worship of the essentials of Dr Scriven's evidence.

"Dr Scriven is a specialist in nervous diseases. Simpson, whom he had specifically examined for 2½ hours and whom he had casually known for some 10 years. There was a family background of insanity and two nervous breakdowns. Dr Scriven found that while not insane, the balance of his mind was disturbed. He suffered from hypomania, and was a candidate at any time for a full-blown attack of insanity.

"Dr Scriven thought that Simpson knew himself from right to wrong, but he did not think he knew the gradations between.

OTHER PUNISHMENT

Your Worship did not take Simpson's neuroticism or hypomania into account at the original hearing, but I sincerely ask you to do so now—now that you have before you the supporting and altogether independent evidence of Simpson's superior officer and the proceedings of the Medical Board which excused him the normal consequences of his actions. I ask you, Sir, to take this substantially into account and to make a reduction in sentence accordingly.

"I have asked for a reduction below the maximum sentence of two years with hard labour, and I now ask your Worship to consider the whole case afresh and to remember that the Crown were content to prosecute summarily with a maximum penalty of two years with hard labour. If my client came in from a fine to two years with hard labour, charged with accepting bribes over a long period and there were no mitigating circumstances and he had nothing to say, you might well say two years. But here I ask you to deduct a portion of the punishment because of his unbalanced mind.

"Do Sir, consider the other punishments that follow the plea of guilty. He has been dismissed. He has lost his pension. He has had to greet his wife, from whom he was parted from six years, in 12, from prison, consider his fine record up to the time he became a POW; his Government service and his army service. Surely some further deductions are due in respect of these matters. Each of these elements may merit a deduction from the maximum sentence of two years.

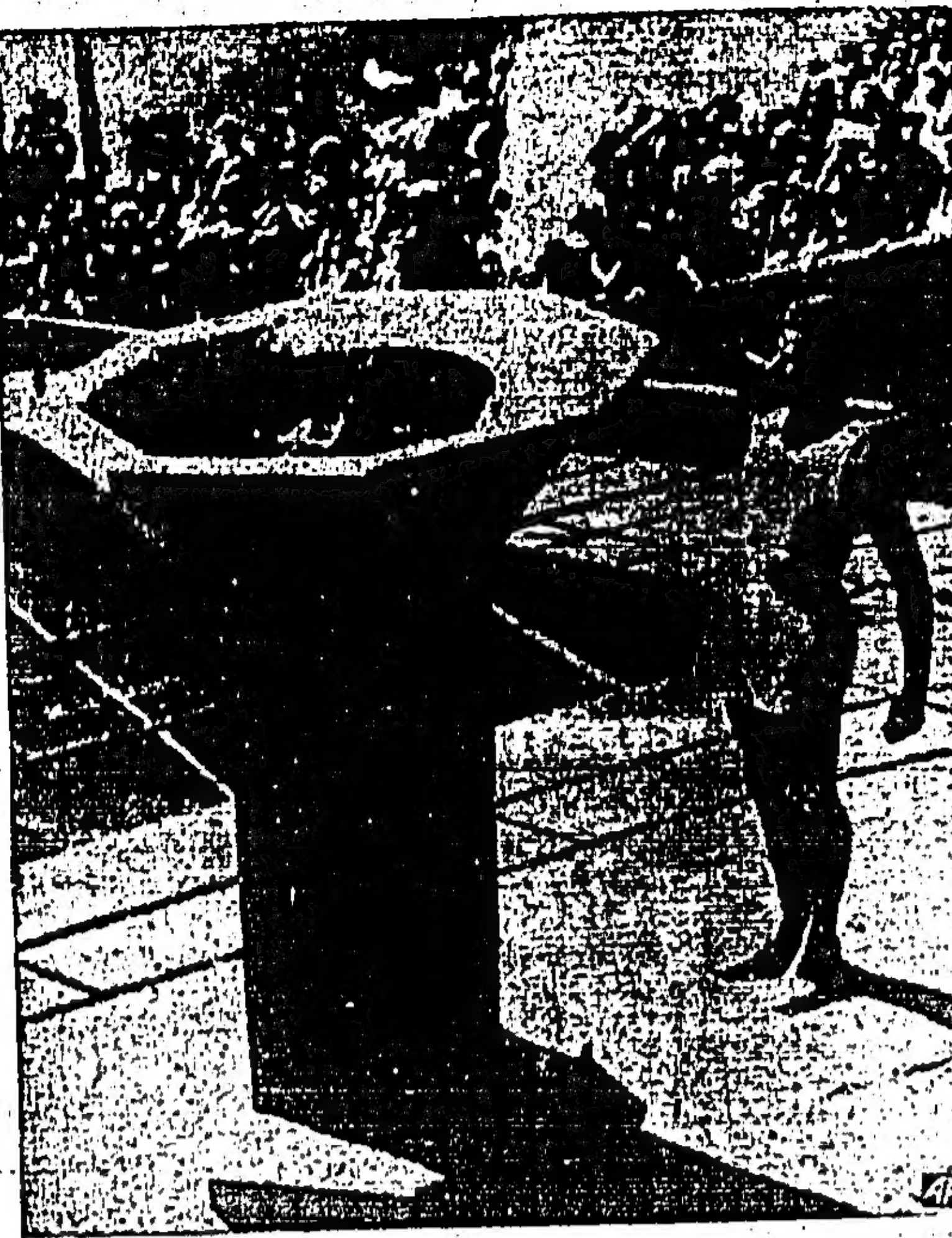
"I ask your Worship to consider a recent case in which Allen was convicted of receiving 26 bribes. The charge involved a continuous corruption with the necessary system and conspiracy. The Supreme Court gave him two years and four months. Here we have one offence and an overwhelming amount of mitigation. The person's guilt will remain in Hongkong, await his release. May your Worship see fit to extend mercy to the person and his unfortunate family."

SENTENCE REDUCED

Mr d'Almada said: I accept the further medical evidence as well as the explanation given by the defendant's solicitor as to the reason why this evidence was not before the Court in the first instance. The charge to which the defendant has pleaded guilty is one of bribery, and Allen's case has been cited. This case came before the Supreme Court some months ago and a sentence was passed on Allen. This case and many others of bribery have been before the Courts of Hongkong and should have been a deterrent to others. The sentence imposed on Allen and others should have been a warning to persons holding offices in the service of the Government.

Further, being an officer in charge of his district, defendant should have been an example to his subordinates. However, with the further medical evidence, before me, and principally with the fact that Mrs Simpson will await the defendant's release before leaving the Colony, I feel that Mrs Simpson's feeling for the matter weighs heavily in favour of the defendant. Therefore, I reduce the sentence and reduce it to 14 months' hard labour.

Olympic Flame Kindled



John Mark, Olympic athlete from Cambridge University, kindles Olympic flame in Wembley Stadium with a torch carried from Olympia, Greece, by relays of runners of which Mark was the last. The flame arrived in the stadium for ceremonies marking the opening of the 1948 Olympiad.—AP Picture.

Truman's Directive On Military Aid For China

ARMED SERVICES TO MAKE THEIR EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE

Washington, Aug. 8.—Senator Styles Bridges today disclosed in a statement that President Truman has authorised the armed services to make arms available to China under the \$125,000,000 military aid programme to combat the Chinese Communists. He revealed that assistance did not mean that the United States will take the responsibility for the Nationalist government policies.

Senator Bridges, a Republican, who is the chairman of the powerful Appropriations Committee and strong advocate of aid to Chiang Kai-shek's government, charged that President Truman followed a "deliberate" and "inexcusable" policy of "inaction and delay" in China, which has enabled Russia to gain strength in the Far East. He said up to date only \$8,000,000 or 1/14th of the \$125,000,000 programme had been made available to Chiang by the Congress.

Mr. Truman's letter, which Senator Bridges included with his own statement, was the first official administration statement of the status of the programme, which began on April 3. It said, "I have directed the Secretary of Defense to render appropriate assistance to the Chinese government in acquisition of such military supplies as the Chinese government may request."

President Truman said that "due consideration" will be given to the outline of the aid programme suggested by the Army Secretary, Kenneth Royall, and the Army Planning House and Senate Appropriations Committees.

DISCLAIMER

Mr. Truman added, "Assistance furnished under this programme shall not be construed, expressed or implied as assumption by the United States of any responsibility of policy, acts or undertakings of the Republic of China or for conditions which may prevail in China at any time."

Senator Bridges pointed out that if the Chinese are unable to go to the United States Army, Navy and other government agencies for material and arms procurement, it would be "expensive and inefficient" because private Chinese procurement agents would have to go to United States factories. Senator Bridges' statement was originally prepared as a speech for the closing session of Congress but instead he placed it in Congressional record which will be published on Monday. Bridges claimed credit for getting the first action on the arms programme.

He pointed out that it was not until he wrote the State Department on June 28, demanding a "full explanation" that the Chinese Embassy got terms under which the Chinese Government could apply for aid. Immediately afterward the State Department gave the Chinese an explanation of the bookkeeping procedures to be followed. Shortly after that, Representative John Taber, Republican chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, joined Senator Bridges saying their committees desired the programme to get under way.

NEXT DEVELOPMENT

The President's letter of July 28 was the next development. Informed sources believed that Bridges' views foreshadowed an expanded aid programme for China if the Republicans win the November election, particularly in military aid to fight the Communists. Senator Bridges, for example, said in his statement that the United States

Lie Asks For Berlin Solution

GENUINE SPIRIT REQUIRED

Lake Success, Aug. 8.—The Big Powers should not bring the German issue before the United Nations unless they come "in the spirit of a genuine attempt to find a solution", according to the UN Secretary-General Trygve Lie.

He asked the Big Powers in his annual report to the General Assembly issued Saturday at Lake Success to settle the Berlin problem, either inside or outside the United Nations.

Mr Lie said he did not care how the powers jockeyed the German problem so long as they reached a solution.

"Nothing," the report said "would contribute more to the effectiveness of the United Nations than the settlement of this problem."

While regarding the importance of Germany as the Number 1 problem, Mr Lie expressed concern over several other issues including what he called the production of bacteriological and chemical weapons.

DISAPPOINTING FAILURE One of the most disappointing failures of the last year, Mr Lie said, was the failure of the United Nations to make any progress on atomic control, arms reduction and the creation of a world peace force.

So alarmed is he over the present race in bacteriological and chemical weapons, Lie said that he will ask the General Assembly to consider this problem in Paris.

Although "stocks of these weapons are now piling up," he continued, not a single nation has made any proposal for the control of such weapons.

He also warned the great powers that the world would never submit to the rule of any one ideology whether Communism or extreme Capitalism.

One of the United Nations functions was to bring change to the world peacefully instead of by force, Mr Lie said.

"It has been so built that the old nationalisms of the western world and the rising nationalisms Asia and the Far East can adjust themselves peacefully to each other."

EAST-WEST CONFLICT Mr Lie went on, "The conflict between East and West has been the case, direct or indirect of many setbacks and disappointments in the work of the United Nations during the past year."

"Yet it is equally true though far less often admitted that the United Nations in its turn has acted as a restraining and conciliating influence upon parties to this conflict."

He declared "I submit that all that has happened during the past year has shown more conclusively than ever that the road laid out by the United Nations is not only the right road, but the only road now available to a permanent peaceful world."

The European recovery programme, said Mr Lie "can have lasting results only if the present political divisions are fit."—Associated Press.

Convicts Used As Horses

Montgomery, Alabama, Aug. 8.—Convicts have been used instead of animals to plough farmland in Alabama State Prison Director Frank Boswell, admitted to an official investigating committee this week.

He insisted that the convicts, a group of Negroes held in Kilby prison, volunteered for the work.

He said the farm at Kilby has three small plots where the ground is so soft that mules can't work. Convicts working in the field pulled the ploughs themselves rather than work the land by hoe.

Teams of four, six or eight Negroes were used to drag the ploughs, he added.—Associated Press.

NEW PHASE IN "COLD WAR"

(Continued from Page 1)

A British-licensed newspaper reported that Russian officials had set up a Soviet secret police trap for German employees in the Russian sector of Berlin who had "fallen from favour." The paper said the Soviets had taken over the old Nazi Air Ministry building, using "its 2,000 rooms as virtual prison cells and as quarters for officers."

For the second straight day, meanwhile, American and British planes brought more than 4,000 tons of supplies to Berlin. In the 21 hours up to four p.m. American planes brought 2,130 tons in 293 flights and the British brought 1,892 tons in 395 flights for an Allied total of 600 flights and 4,022 tons.—United Press.

Resourcefulness Saved His Life

Minneapolis, Aug. 8.—Edward Corvial, 20, of Rogers, Minn., today helped to save his own life by holding his gasping throat together with his hands after an auto accident.

Corvial was hurled through the windshield of his car when it collided with another.

He held his slashed throat until General Hospital surgeons arrived and sewed it together with 20 stitches.—United Press.

Towed Large Junks

The coxswain of the motor boat Duk Foo was fined \$50 or two weeks by Mr Cairns at the Marine Court this morning for towing three large junks, of over 500 pounds each.

For making fast to the ss Mei Lee whilst the vessel was under way, the coxswain of the motor boat Sun Fat was fined \$50 or one week, and an additional \$25 or one week for approaching within 30 yards of the ship whilst the Immigration flags were still flying. Mr Cairns warned defendant that making fast to a vessel which was under way was very dangerous and his boat might have capsized.

Regarding the second charge, Sub-Inspector Nippard pointed out that these craft were hampering the Immigration Authorities, and it was possible that a large number of people were going ashore before passing the Authorities.

The mistress of a passenger sampan was fined \$25 or five days for carrying five excess persons and cautioned for failing to renew her licence.

For conveying 11 prostitutes in her boat the mistress of a passenger sampan was fined \$100 or one month.

Tornadoes Sweep Manila Bay

Manila, Aug. 8.—A series of cyclonic tornadoes swept Manila Bay this afternoon, sending waves of water high into the air. The first one, occurring a few minutes after six o'clock, was the most powerful one. Immediately afterwards thick black clouds gathered over Manila Bay, and ten minutes later a downpour followed. No damage or casualties have thus far been reported.—Reuter.

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PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view

In the Morning Post Building. ORDERS BOOKED.

Special Car For "Clerical Classes"

Singapore, Aug. 8.—A new small car, equivalent to the "People's Car" of prewar Germany, has been imported into Singapore "for the clerical classes."

The first of its type out here, it is a four-cylinder 7½ horse-power French Renault Junior. The car engine is at the rear, while the front part carries a spare tyre and luggage. The petrol consumption is 55 to 60 miles a gallon. The cost of the car is \$3,250 (about £370) each.—Reuter.

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FIFTH TEST MATCH:

FOUR NEWCOMERS IN ENGLAND'S XII

London, Aug. 8.—The England team for the fifth and final Test match against Australia at the Oval, commencing on Saturday will be selected from the following 12 players:

Norman Yardley (Yorkshire), capt.; W. J. Edrich (Middlesex); J. G. Dewes (Middlesex); R. T. Simpson (Nottinghamshire); L. Hutton (Yorkshire); C. Washbrook (Lancashire); Denis Compton (Middlesex); T. G. Egan (Kent); Alec Bedser (Surrey); Eric Hollies (Warwickshire); J. Young (Middlesex) and A. Watkins (Glamorgan).

The England selectors have named four newcomers among the 12 from whom the team will be selected. They are J. G. Dewes, Cambridge University and Middlesex left hander, R. T. Simpson, stylish Nottingham batsman, Warwickshire slow leg break bowler, and Alan Watkins, Glamorgan's left hand all-rounder.

The inclusion of new blood in the side is an official acceptance of the fact that, having lost the Ashes and the rubber, English cricket must look to the future and promising talent given a chance to prove themselves against the best opposition in the world.

Five of the 12 nominated for the fourth Test have been dropped. They are Kenneth Cranston, Dick Pollard, Jim Laker, Jack Crapp and Emmett-Reuter.

Mills v Woodcock
—No. 1 Fight Draw
By FRANK BUTLER

The sneaking of the world light-heavy-weight title from tired Gus Lesnevich on the night of July 26 has put unpredictable Freddie Mills smack back in the big money at 29, which is nice work for a fighter considered "washed up" after his humiliating defeat by Lloyd Marshall twelve months ago.

It also means another battle boom which will warm the cockles of King Solomon's fish slabs this winter, and threatens—although we pray not—the return of the twenty guineas ring-side.

Not only was Mister Boxing rushing busy yesterday to sign up anybody who could box kippers, but he reckons he has three major fights on hand that will not only pack Harringay but could get another 40,000 at White City.

Tom Hurst, door manager of Bruce Woodcock, was at the ring-side and when Solomon's whippersnapper the names of two American heavy-weights for the long-awaited return of Woodcock, Hurst nodded, and whispered the okay to one name.

So Solomon's applied to the Bank of England for this unnamed American heavy-weight to be allowed to take a sackful of golden pennies out of England after the fight at Harringay on September 21.

The name of the opponent is a national secret, but you can forget the name of tubby Tami Mauriello, and think more about Joey Maxim, who has beaten Ole Thundberg, or Lee Savold, a veteran with a dangerous right hand.

NOT INTERESTED

Lesnevich, with six stitches above both eyes, leaves with his wife and manager, Joe Vella, on Saturday but he has already assured Solomon's a return fight can't be too soon.

Mills was not interested in talking fights, but I reckon to see the return made before the end of the year.

But the biggest attraction of all will be the match of Mills and Woodcock for the heavy-weight title. Don't ask me to get tickets for that fight, because it's a sell-out the day a date is announced.

The little boom must go on. The unofficial receipts of July 26, of more than £25,000 are a record for a fight in Britain. The £17,000 paid into Lesnevich's bank in New Jersey is a record purse for any fighter in this country.

Mills received around £8,000. Tox will be about £11,000. The D.B.B. of C. will get roughly £2,500. The supporting fights cost just under £10,000. The hiring of White City, and the cost of stewards, police, and various other expenses will be close on £10,000.

\$5,000 PROFIT

The means that Mister Boxing will be left a clear £5,000, which will more than pay for his all-white American dinner jacket—and the blooded champion will take him five minutes to get to his landing.

Everywhere the fight fans were discussing the controversial second knock-down of nine in the tenth round. Did Lesnevich beat the ten-second count? Or did he benefit by a long count?

As I saw it, Lesnevich was lucky to be allowed to box on. It looked like an 11-second count. This view was shared by, among others, Solomon's, Sam Burns, and Lew Burston.

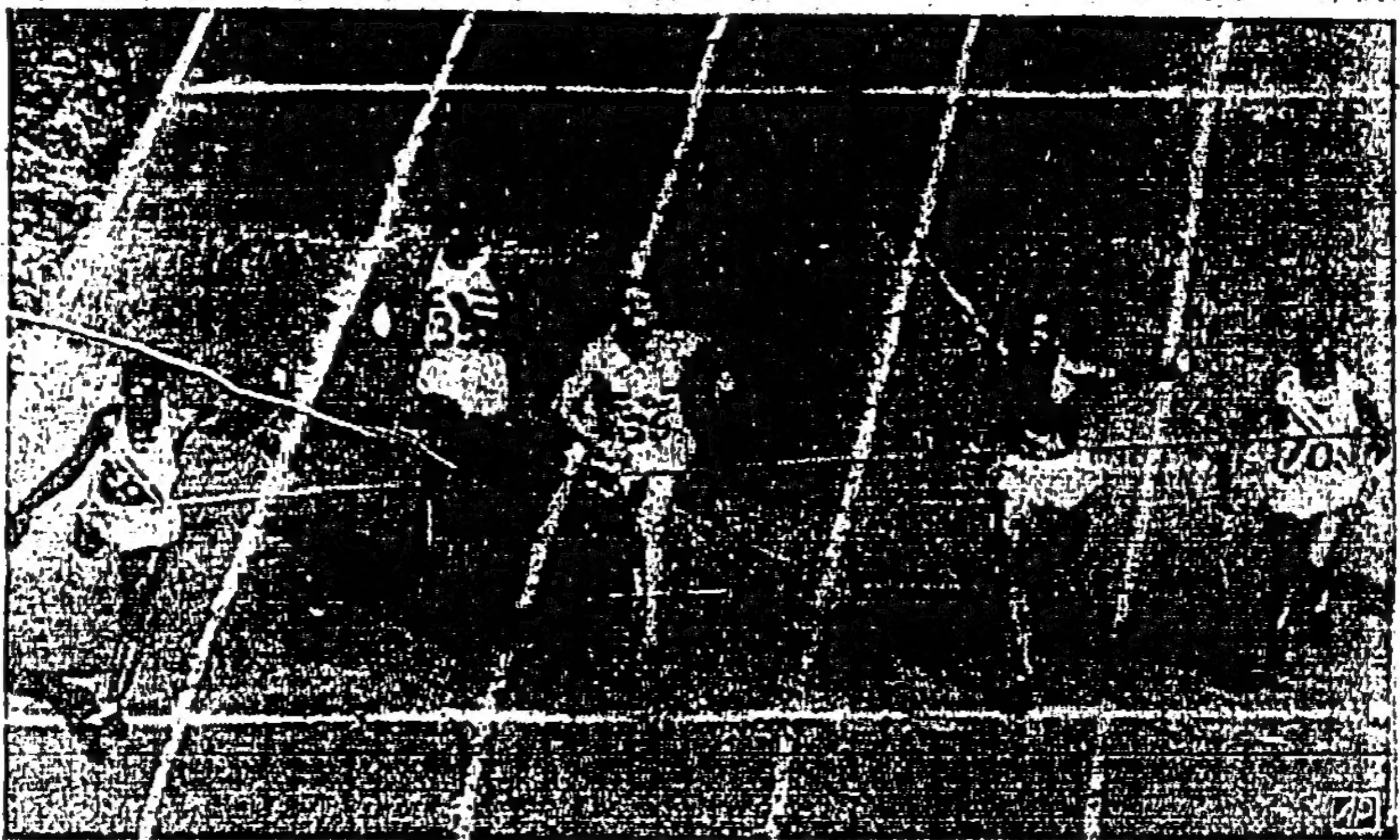
Opposite view is taken by Gene Tunney who should know more about the long count than anyone. "Lesnevich was up in time," declared the man who took advantage of a 14-second count against Dempsey at Chicago in 1927. "In fact, his timing was perfect. He took full advantage to recover from a dazed state."

MEXICAN BEATS ADRIAN QUIST

Mexico City, Aug. 8.—M. Vero, the Mexican champion, beat Adrian Quist, of Australia, by 9-7, 6-4, 6-2, in the fourth match of the Davis Cup American Zone final here today.

With one more match to be played, Australia leads Mexico by three to one.—Reuter.

Dillard Wins Olympic 100-Metre Final



Harrison Dillard (far left), wins the 100-metre Olympic final at London, England, in record time of 10.3 seconds. Left to right: Dillard, first; MacDonald Bailey, Great Britain, sixth; Alan McCorquodale, Great Britain, fourth; Lloyd LaBeach, Panama, third; Barney Ewell, U.S.A., second.—AP Wirephoto via radio from London.

OLYMPIC GAMES

AMERICANS PROTEST SPRINT RELAY RACE DISQUALIFICATION

London, Aug. 8.—American Olympic officials today turned to official motion pictures in the hope that they will erase the disqualification in Saturday's 400-metre relay.

The Yanks won the relay race easily but the victory was given to Great Britain because officials ruled that the Americans, Barney Ewell and Lorenzo Wright, had not passed the baton within the required 20 yards.

The Olympic jury of appeal, which has final authority, has scheduled a private showing of the film on Monday. It should be easy to "see" alleged infraction in pictures taken from the pit only a few yards away.

Meanwhile, Ewell and Wright both backed the coach, Dean Cromwell, in his protest against the ruling which gave Britain its first track victory although its team finished second behind the United States anchor man, Mel Patton. Harrison Dillard ran the third leg.

"I am sure I was inside the passing zone," said Ewell. "I know the films will show that clearly."

Wright said he was also certain that he took the baton before passing the zone's white line and Cromwell continued to insist that the stick was passed despite apparent fumbling and when he had taken only about 12 yards.

In addition to a reversed decision, the American's only other solid hope for a gold medal on Monday was in the eight oared rowing event at Henley on the Thames.—United Press.

READY TO DEPART

London, Aug. 8.—Many of the 1,200 athletes in the Olympic Camp in Richmond were busy today with preparations for their departure while others went out for excursions.

The first party to leave tomorrow will be about 50 Italians followed by the Swedes, Norwegians and Finns. The departing squads include Swedish track and field athletes and swimmers, Finnish athletes and wrestlers and Norwegian marksmen, athletes and wrestlers.

On Tuesday, movement orders will be given to the Danish track and field men, hockey players and swimmers, while the Swedish wrestlers and a big group of Norwegian athletes are scheduled to leave on Wednesday.

Some 350 of the camp's inhabitants went this afternoon in eight double-decker buses to an orchestral concert at the Royal Albert Hall.

The Finnish team was invited to lunch by a British paper manufacturer and was to attend a reception given by the Finnish Minister, Mr. E. Vuori, in the evening.—Associated Press.

GENERAL DISSATISFACTION

London, Aug. 8.—General dissatisfaction with the tournament system adopted for the Olympic basketball matches will be aired at a special meeting of officials tomorrow, and the Olympic representatives and officers of the International Federation of Amateur Basketball will attempt to find a more satisfactory formula for use in the 1952 Games.

While most people concerned with the matches think that this year's system will probably find the true winner, there is a general feeling that many of the minor placings will be determined by luck rather than by ability.

The system has been to divide the 23 competing countries into four groups. Each team in a group has met every other team in that group on a points basis.

The two teams heading each preliminary group are now playing off for final placings from one to eight.

The next two in each group are deciding the placings from nine to 16, while the remaining teams from each group are playing off for the places 17 to 23.

One of the unluckiest teams under this system has been China. They won against Korea in a preliminary round match but Korea qualified for the top eight and China for the last seven.—Reuter.

POINT SCORES IN ATHLETICS

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| United States | 203 |
| Sweden | 103 |
| Netherlands | 57 |
| France | 55 |
| Great Britain | 51 |
| Australia | 39 |
| Finland | 31 |
| Hungary | 26 |
| Jamaica | 24 |
| Italy | 21 |
| Argentina | 20 |
| Czechoslovakia | 18 |
| Norway | 18 |
| Belgium | 15 |
| Austria | 13 |
| Canada | 10 |
| Switzerland | 9 |
| Denmark | 9 |
| Panama | 8 |
| Yugoslavia | 6 |
| Ceylon | 5 |
| Turkey | 4 |
| South Africa | 4 |
| Poland | 3 |

Baseball

New York, Aug. 8.—Today's Major League baseball scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

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| St. Louis | 4 | 7 | 0 |
| Philadelphia | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| St. Louis (nightcap) | 4 | 8 | 2 |
| Philadelphia | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| Pittsburgh | 2 | 8 | 2 |
| New York | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| Pittsburgh (2nd game) | 5 | 7 | 3 |
| New York | 4 | 5 | 2 |
| Cincinnati | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Brooklyn | 10 | 9 | 0 |
| Chicago | 3 | 9 | 3 |
| Boston | 0 | 10 | 0 |

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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|-----------------------|---|----|---|
| Philadelphia | 7 | 11 | 1 |
| St. Louis | 5 | 11 | 2 |
| Boston | 8 | 13 | 1 |
| Chicago | 1 | 7 | 2 |
| Boston (nightcap) | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| Chicago (11 innings) | 2 | 12 | 1 |
| Washington | 3 | 11 | 1 |
| Detroit | 5 | 8 | 2 |
| Washington (nightcap) | 5 | 11 | 1 |
| Detroit | 0 | 8 | 2 |
| New York | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| Cleveland | 8 | 9 | 2 |
| New York (nightcap) | 1 | 5 | 0 |
| Cleveland | 2 | 4 | 1 |

—United Press.

Kurowski, Not Seriously Hurt

Philadelphia, Aug. 8.—Whitely Kurowski, veteran Cardinal third baseman, today was reported to be in good condition at Temple University hospital after being hit in the head by a ball during a batting practice.

Physicians said that X-rays revealed no serious injury and he could play on Sunday. Kurowski was knocked unconscious during a practice before Saturday's game.—United Press.

HAROLD PALMER'S SPORTFRONT

Amateur Purists Are Losing Ground

Less Restriction—But Not For International Athletics

One more laborious attempt is being made to define an amateur. On the one hand will be "Simon pure" Avery Brundage, speaking for the United States. Seeking more latitude will be several continental representatives.

The matter will be thrashed out at the international congress at the Polytechnic today and tomorrow.

The British point of view is likely to be the practical one, strict definition for international competition, putting all nations on the same level, and every nation pleasing itself about its own conception of an amateur for internal competition.

I like the Scottish outlook as expressed to me by their secretary, Jimmy Gilbert. His idea is that any man who really runs, jumps or throws for the sheer love of doing those things should be considered an amateur whether he mixes with professionals or is a professional himself at some other game.

A problem for the Scots is the prevalence of professional sport in the Highlands. There the real amateur can get no competition unless he joins in with the pros. Mr Gilbert has a broad mind. "Why should such fellows be branded?" he asks.

SUSPICION

The present amateur definition of the International Athletic Federation was originally based on the AAA's definition. Repeated adjustment has made the definition inconsistent and illogical. British idea is to make a

fresh start, revise the rule completely.

It is no use deceiving ourselves that all the competitors in the Wembley Games which open on Thursday will be amateurs. Mr Brundage admits the suspicion that surrounds some of the Americans, while I am told that all the nominations for the Italian soccer team can be found in a register of professionals that is issued in Italy.

The days of the true amateur competition are numbered. The real amateur will remain to enjoy his sport. The "amateur" of today will be able to come into the open.

The congress will also decide the scene of the European Games of 1950. Brussels is expected to get them; but Czechoslovakia and Hungary are also applying.

'MADE' THE GAMES

No American was more determined to get to the Games than the 400-metre hurdler, Roy Cochran. He started his career in 1938 and was here as national champion in 1939. Then he had his eye on the 1940 Games that were never held.

He was back last year running at the British Games—though with muscle trouble—and he made a determined and successful bid to make the Wembley Games.

Having achieved his ambition he will hang up his shoes. Teacher-cum-student, Cochran is now 29. He has a girl of two and a boy aged five months, whose pictures he carries round with him. He chooses the quiet domestic life in future.

WANTS TO STAY

Shirley Strickland, 23-year-old Australian sprinter of Perth, good looking blonde, wants to stay in England for a year or so after the Games. Above all, she wants to win the Olympic sprint title—and if I



SHIRLEY STRICKLAND

do, I suppose they will want to see me back home."

Otherwise she thinks it would be a waste of time going back. A research job, preferably in radio-activity, is what she wants here.

Any suggestion this might end in her marrying and settling down here was dismissed with a wave of the hand. "Guess, I'm not the marrying type," she said.

Miss Strickland has been teaching demobilised soldiers physics and maths under an Australian rehabilitation scheme.

Her 11sec. at the Polytechnic meeting was her fastest 100 yards since last January. Twice she has done 11sec. She has a real chance.

COCHRAN WINS HURDLES



Roy Cochran of Los Angeles crosses the finish line at Wembley to win the final of the 400-metre hurdles event in a new Olympic record time of 51.1 seconds. A Duncan White of Ceylon is a surprise second. Dick Auld of the United States third.—AP Wirephoto via radio from London.

THE FUTURE OF CHINA AND JAPAN

Mutual Trading Said To Be Essential

Washington, Aug. 8.—Republican Representative Walter Judd of Minnesota today predicted in an interview with the United Press that "China will willingly resume natural trade with Japan once she is free from the fear of Communism and aggression."

Mr. Judd's statement followed the disclosure that the ECA hoped to draw on Japanese industry in the China reconstruction programme. ECA officials said cautiously that they are not aiming to restore Japan to a dominant position in the Far East but said that the policy is similar to the stimulation of trade in Europe and would benefit China equally with Japan.

Mr. Judd, who strongly favours greater aid to the Chiang government to fight Communism, said, "The Chinese are tired about the amount of money the United States is pouring into their former enemy country of Japan and they rightly feel that we are treating the aggressor better than we are treating our Allies."

MUTUAL NEEDS

He explained, "Japan cannot possibly feed her people without China. At the same time China needs cheap goods previously manufactured in quantity by Japan." This situation still can be saved, he said, "If we help China defeat the Communist armies and put an end to the civil strife, which is destroying her economy and assist her to stand alone without fear of aggression, then she will easily pick up pre-war trade patterns with Japan and other Eastern countries."

Mr. Judd declared, "Japan's future will stand or fall on what happens in China. If China should come under the rule of Communism we could not have a chance even to hope that would ever cease to be a drain on the United States treasury."

Mr. Judd said he believed that the level of industry in Japan should be set at a figure "somewhat higher" than pre-war because "her population has increased and she has a tremendous amount of reconstruction still to do."

EASY TO CONTROL

Mr. Judd said the industrial level formerly was just high enough to enable them to keep their heads above the water. He added, "Real recovery would mean that the level is high enough to raise the entire standard of living of the Japanese people."

He said that in this connection "Japanese war potential is much easier to control than it is in Germany, because she lacks raw materials and can be kept isolated. Strict control of her imports of iron ore and steel effectively controls her potential for making war."

Mr. Judd also opined that the United States "should go ahead and stabilise the value of the yen without fear of any loss from other warring powers." He said, "If we say we are going to do it they will come along with us just as they did in Germany. And look how much recovery was made in Germany since the value of the mark was set."

Judd said he did not believe that it was proper to press for a Japanese peace treaty. He said, "It should have been written long ago. We should have insisted upon it before we were disarmed after the war. But right now we have all we can handle. With the horns' nest in Berlin, I do not believe there would be much agreement among other powers for attempts to write the Japanese treaty until that situation is cleared up."

FUTURE COMPETITION

Mr. Judd said that probably China and Japan would eventually find themselves in strong competition on many industrial items since China's aim is to industrialise herself. He added, however, "that stage will not come for many years, possibly a hundred years or more, and in the meantime the two countries will tend to complement each other rather than compete in any real sense."

He explained that China is 80 percent agricultural and said, "It will take at least two or three generations to mechanise the Chinese people. In the meantime, she can furnish raw materials for Japanese industries and get in return products which she can not hope to make for herself at a low price."

Judd warned, again, however, that this pattern could not be fulfilled until China herself is strong enough to feel confidence in survival and thereby lose the present fear and resistance.—United Press.

ECA ASSISTANCE

Washington, Aug. 8.—A high ECA source said today that the \$275,000,000 China programme will be used indirectly to help the revival of trade, including Japanese, as well as directly aiding China.

While ECA officials were quick to deny the wish to build up Japan industrially, they emphasised that it will benefit China to "harness Japan to the rehabilitation of China." They claimed that outside of cotton, most commodities or industrial goods which China needs can be obtained from the Far East and sources other than the United States.

The ECA quietly sent two men from the China mission to Japan to make a preliminary survey. It was understood to involve the shipping of Chinese coal chiefly from Kailan mines and Chinese iron from Japan in turn is expected to provide

1. parts for industrial installations built during the Japanese occupation; 2. parts and equipment for the Canton-Hankow railway.

EUROPEAN COUNTERPART

As an example of instance where it would be more economical to get Japanese rather than United States rapprochement, they cited power installations in Taiwan although they have not yet decided whether these installations will be rebuilt.

The extent to which Japan will enter into the service of China construction will depend upon which China projects are expected by the Stillman mission.

At the same time the ECA is seriously considering supplying Japan with coal from Kailan mines. Iron would be drawn largely from the stockpile the Japanese left near the Yangtze.

ECA officials described the policy as a counterpart of the effort in Europe to stimulate East-West trade. At the same time, the policy would fit into the ECA programme and give Japan the dollars to buy United States cotton.—United Press.

Typhoid Strikes Arab Refugees

Ramallah, Aug. 8.—Forty-nine cases of typhoid have been notified among the 100,000 Arab refugees now living in squalor on the Judean and Samarian hills between Ramallah, 15 miles north of Jerusalem, and Nablus, 30 miles away.

The senior Arab medical health officer for Ramallah, Dr. Suleiman Saleem, said today that unless medical supplies and medical teams were made available immediately, at least 10 per cent of the refugees would die in epidemics.

Outbreaks of plague and cholera were feared as well as typhoid. Twenty-five thousand of the refugees have already been inoculated, but the doctor said it was impossible to estimate the possible spread of typhoid among the remainder, huddled on roads and hillside under trees and in caves, having been driven from their homes in the Palestine fighting.

There were serious fears that the shifting refugee population might carry diseases into neighbouring Arab countries. Doctors report that many children and old people are dying nightly from exposure. There is no milk for the children and a serious shortage of bread and water.

The Arab refugees are asking why there is no sign of assistance from international relief organisations except the Red Cross and the Red Crescent.—Reuter.

Military Convoy Ambushed

Saigon, Aug. 8.—Forces of the Indo-Chinese autonomy movement of Viet Minh ambushed a French military convoy at Rachgia, south-west of Saigon, last Wednesday. It was officially announced today that at least 28 French soldiers were killed. Observers in Saigon regard the attack as a sign that Viet Minh is beginning to intensify its guerrilla warfare, particularly in Tonkin.

The situation in Saigon is calm following the strict security measures taken by the police, but an increasing number of attacks on French convoys and military posts in Tonkin and Cochinchina have been reported recently.—Reuter.

Markos Admits Withdrawal "According To Plan"

Athens, Aug. 8.—General Markos, in an order of the day to his troops, broadcast tonight by the "Free Greek Radio," stated "we have withdrawn in order and according to plan."

"We have given the enemy a blood bath and inflicted heavy losses. We have fortified the mountain (Grammos) and entrenched ourselves. We have been facing tremendous difficulties in a non-stop fight against the enemy for 50 days." The Greek guerrilla leader added that attacks on the enemy would continue and that new fighters would be recruited to take up arms against the Government.

Today's Greek General Staff communiqué, meanwhile, said that Greek national forces, continuing their advance in the Grammos range, captured several heights in the Ptochion region and followed up their advantage by pursuing the guerrilla defenders towards the Albanian border.

Rival candidates for President, Harry S. Truman (left), and Thomas E. Dewey shake hands on the speaker's platform upon the President's arrival at International Airport on Long Island. Both were present for the dedication ceremonies. Back of Mr. Dewey is Mayor William O'Dwyer of New York, and behind Mr. Truman is Howard Cullman, chairman of the Port Authority.—AP Picture.

Japan's Import & Export Programme

Tokyo, Aug. 8.—The Bank of Tokyo today revealed the contents of the Japanese Board of Trade's export and import programme for trade with the Sterling areas currently being considered here by representatives of those countries.

A one-year programme planned to be effective last July, 1, reportedly calls for Japanese exports totalling \$110,042,000 while imports would total \$278,417,000.

The import surplus is to be subsidised by the United States Relief and Rehabilitation fund grants.

Imports from the sterling area countries are said to include 400,000 bales of raw cotton from India, 84,000 tons of salt, 125,000 tons raw wool and 200,000 tons of rice.

TEXTILE EXPORTS

Exports include \$63,000,000 worth of machinery and metals, \$8,000,000 worth of chemical, agricultural and machine products and \$8,000,000 worth of miscellaneous exports.

The Board of Trade's proposed breakdown of imports is reported to include 10 countries, Britain, Malaya, Burma, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand, Iraq, India, Ceylon and other East Indies points. India would get the largest allotment, \$15 million dollars, followed by Australia with \$7.5 million dollars.—United Press.

Starting Point Of New World

Chaux, Switzerland, Aug. 8.—Dr Chen Li-fu, Vice-President of the Chinese Legislative Yuan, told 750 delegates from 25 nations here today that "Moral Re-armament is the starting point of the remaking of the world."

Dr Chen was visiting the MRA Assembly as the guest of Dr Frank Buchman, founder of the Movement, who presided at today's meeting. He came to Europe at the request of President Chiang Kai-shek to study democratic institutions and told the Assembly how he had discussed MRA ideology with President Truman and Mr. MacKenzie King, the Prime Minister of Canada. He also had discussions with Mr. Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister of Great Britain, and Mr. Andre Marie, the French Premier.—Reuter.

Rival Presidential Candidates Meet



Palestine Arabs To Set Up Own State

Lake Success, Aug. 8.—Jamal Hussein, nephew of the Mufti of Jerusalem, said Palestine Arabs will soon have their own state.

Arabs at Lake Success said that Hussein is slated to become Minister of the Interior in the provisional regime.

Hussein, Vice Chairman of the Arab Higher Committee, is due to leave on August 14 for Damascus. He told the Associated Press in an exclusive statement that he will talk with other Arab leaders there about organising the Arab Government of Palestine.

Hussein said the contemplated government would take in all of Palestine as it existed under the British mandate. He said the Arab Government would include Arabs from the Jewish occupied areas.

Besides being a kinsman of the Mufti, who was exiled from Jerusalem by the British during World War II and who has been active in resistance to the Jewish State of Israel, Hussein is President of the Palestine Arab party. He said the party has about 90 percent of the Palestine Arabs behind it.

LONG STRUGGLE

He said the Arabs also will plan for a long struggle against the Jews and for presenting their case to the United Nations Assembly meeting in Paris on September 21. He expects to attend the assembly.

The Arab leader said blueprints for the proposed Arab State were drawn up last spring. He said there had been some objection from influential leaders, including King Abdullah of Transjordan, and they were shelved.

It was decided that the Arab areas of Palestine would be administered by civilians representing the Arab League.

This system was tried, he said, by the citizens of Nablus. Palestine, chased out a Transjordan administrator and Arabs generally demanded a Democratic government of their own.

OBJECTIONS WAIVED

He said King Abdullah and others have now waived their objections. Despite Abdullah's recent talk of a compromise in Palestine, Hussein showed no sign of any compromise that acknowledged a Jewish State.

Hussein left the Security Council table last month because Mr. Druze, 2. Manulsky, Soviet Ukrainian Foreign Minister, recognised the Jewish spokesman, Mr. A. S. Eban as the representative of Israel.

He remained away this month when the new Chairman, Mr. Jakob A. Malik, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, also recognised Mr. Eban as Israeli representative.

Hussein said he would return to the Council table when the President goes back to recognising Mr. Eban as the representative of the Jewish Agency for Palestine. The next chairman is Sir Alexander Cadogan of Britain, who will preside when the Council meets in Paris. Britain has not recognised Israel. Russia has.—Associated Press.

Superforts Reach England

London, Aug. 8.—Nine United States Army B-29 Superfortresses, the first of 30 expected to fly here from the United States in the next few days, arrived at the Lakenheath base of the Royal Air Force, today. The new group will bring to 90 the number of superforts in England. The other 21 planes are expected to land tomorrow and Tuesday.

Two Pan-American Constellations, carrying 70 members of the ground crew preceded today's arrivals.

Sixty other B-29s flew to England from the United States last month for manoeuvres over Germany.—United Press.

Insurgents Routed

Rangoon, Aug. 8.—Government forces have re-taken Kayan, captured by the White Arm Band section of the People's Volunteer Organisation on August 4. It was reportedly learned today.

Insurgents were routed after an engagement lasting two hours, reports said.—Associated Press.

Purge Of Czech Gymnasts

Prague, Aug. 8.—The Communist-run purge of the Sokol Youth Organisation may eliminate half of the gymnastic society's 2,000,000 members, some of the members predicted today.

The purge, which started last week in two provincial towns, will continue until about September 30. By that time, the Communist-run Central Action Committees expect to have removed from the former gymnastic organisation firstly, the "originals and leaders" of the July 6 demonstrations in Prague, during which thousands of Sokol members cheered ex-President Eduard Benes and the late Foreign Minister, Jan Masaryk and waved American and British flags.

EXPULSION

Secondly, all persons whom the Action Committees have already "excluded from public life or fired from their jobs. Members in this group will be expelled whether or not they took part in the demonstrations.

Thirdly, all who are in the Sokol discipline or their national unity.

It is disingenuous that the Action Committees would run a purge, the Sokol Gazette also revealed that the Sokol will undergo a weeping ground to roof reorganisation.

Representatives of trade unions and other workers' organisations are to be voted into executive positions "immediately," it said.—United Press.

China May Increase Tea Exports

Washington, Aug. 8.—The Agriculture Department said today that China and Formosa may export more than the 36,250 pounds of tea exported last year. It said the Soviet Union has resumed imports of Chinese tea under barter arrangements.

The Department said that the Italian raw silk production for 1948 is now estimated at only 1,700,000 pounds, the lowest on record and only 40 percent of the 1947 production.—United Press.



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LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the 22nd Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of Lane, Crawford, Limited will be held at the Jacobean Room in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Thursday 26th August 1948 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Company's Accounts for the year ended 29th February 1948, and the Directors' and Auditors' Reports thereon; to sanction the payment of dividends; to re-elect a Director; and to re-appoint Auditors.

The Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 12th to 26th August 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
PEAT MARWICK MITCHELL AND COMPANY,
Secretaries and Accountants.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1948.

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NOTICE
LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held on Thursday, 26th August, 1948, at the Jacobean Room in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, immediately following the Ordinary Yearly Meeting which will be held at noon on the same day and at the same place for the purposes of considering and if thought fit, passing the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:

"That the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased from its present capital of \$1,000,000 divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each (of which 75,000 shares have been issued) to \$2,500,000 by the creation of 150,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each, and that the unissued shares of the Company's capital and such additional shares as aforesaid, shall be issued at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

NOTICE is also given that if the above Resolution is duly passed it is the present intention of the Directors to close the Register of Members for a period of six days from 13th September to 18th September, 1948, both days inclusive. The Directors will offer the persons appearing in the Register of Members on the 13th September, 1948, 75,000 shares of the Company of the nominal value of \$10 each, out of the unissued capital of the Company at par and on the footing that the full nominal value of each share taken up shall be paid in full on acceptance of the offer and in any case not later than the 30th November, 1948, and so that each such person as aforesaid or his approved nominee shall be entitled to apply for and take up one new share for every one issued share which according to the Register of Members as aforesaid is held by such person on the 13th September, 1948, the shares so offered shall rank for dividend as from the 1st December, 1948.

The offer will be made by notice sent by post to each such person as aforesaid signifying the number of shares to which each such person is entitled and such offer if not accepted either on behalf of such person or his approved nominee on or before the 30th November, 1948, will be deemed to be declined.

The Directors will dispose of any shares offered as aforesaid in the event of non acceptance by payment therefor by such persons as aforesaid or their approved nominees on or before 30th November, 1948, at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as they may decide.

It is important that any persons who have purchased shares in the Company but whose names do not appear in the Register of Members as aforesaid in respect thereof should if they wish to take advantage of the offer, present their transfers for registration accompanied by the requisite share certificates as soon as possible and in any event not later than 11th September, 1948.

NOTICE is also hereby given that at the above Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company the following resolution will be considered, and if thought fit passed as a special Resolution:

"That Article No. 88 of the Company's Articles of Association shall be altered by deleting the figures "1,000" contained in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the figures "2,400"."

Article No. 88 of the Company's Articles of Association, if the Resolution is passed, will then read as follows:

"Each Director (other than a Managing Director) shall be paid by way of remuneration for his services the sum of \$2,400 per annum and such further sums (if any) as the Company in General Meeting shall from time to time determine."

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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